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# There's no guarantee Arafat can get away

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Fifteen months after his ignominious rout from Beirut, PLO chairman Yasser Arafat was on the verge of flight again, this time from Tripoli (as of Dec. 12).

In 1982, Arafat and his men were forced to leave after a long Israeli siege. A little more than a year later, Arafat and his followers were being ousted by pro-Syrian Palestinian guerrillas who had rebelled against his leadership.

There was no certainty, as there had been in 1982, that Arafat would depart peacefully. Israel, which let him go in peace as the Lebanese war wound down, was not in a magnanimous mood this week as Arafat got set to go into exile once more.

**The Israelis, having denounced the decision by the United Nations to escort him and his loyalists out of Tripoli, were offering no guarantees that they would give him safe conduct.**

As a result, Greece announced it would not provide the transport ships to evacuate him until the U.S., France, Italy and Britain — which make up the multinational peacekeeping force in Beirut — conveyed assurances that Israel would not try to impede the planned evacuation.

In response, the U.S. urged Israel not to block the Palestinian withdrawal, with Secretary of State George Shultz saying he favored a speedy evacuation. Washington, which saw its embassy in Kuwait damaged by a truck bomb this week, fears that a delay will cause still further civilian casualties in Tripoli, under siege by dissident PLO forces since Nov. 3.

To date, nearly 500 people have been killed in the PLO civil war, the majority having been civilians.

Despite the humanitarian position taken by the U.S., Arafat expressed concern about Israel's intentions. He was so apprehensive that he called upon Saudi Arabia and Syria (which supports the revolt against Arafat and is therefore responsible for the situation in which he finds himself) to provide air cover.

**The Israelis seemed determined to keep Arafat on knife's edge after his group, and that of his Palestinian opponents, claimed responsibility for the bomb blast on a bus in Jerusalem which killed four Israelis and injured 46.**

The wounded, treated at Shaare Zedek Medical Center, suffered from burns, multiple cuts, eye injuries and respiratory damage. Practically all the victims sustained hearing problems.

The explosion, which went off at a busy intersection in the western part of Jerusalem at around noon, wrecked one bus and damaged a second one.

Transportation Minister Haim Corfu said in a radio and TV address that the passengers should have been suspicious of the size of the unattended parcel which contained the bomb.

**The worst bombing in Jerusalem in four years, last week's incident prompted the Israeli navy to shell a Palestinian base near Tripoli. The gunboats, supported by helicopters, reportedly scored hits on tents and vehicles. One Palestinian was said to be killed in the retaliatory raid, which appeared mild by Israeli standards.**

Although a PLO spokesman admitted later that the bomber had erred in leaving a bomb on a civilian, rather than a military bus, the Israelis were seething.

Prime Minister Yitz-

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## "Stop harassing Jews"

# *Peterson hits out at Soviets*

By GAYE APPLEBAUM

OTTAWA —

The chairman of the all-party parliamentary committee on Soviet Jewry has urged the Soviet Union to "alleviate the presently deteriorating condition of the Jewish community in the Soviet Union."

**Speaking in the House of Commons last week on the 35th anniversary of the UN Declaration of Human Rights, Jim Peterson said "Jews continue to be singled out and imprisoned, with Iosif Begun being an egregious example of a man now imprisoned for no crime other than his desire to teach the Hebrew language.**

Jim Peterson MP

"In the past three years, Jewish emigration has been on a steady decline and in 1983 less than 3% of the 1979 figure will have been allowed to leave, despite declarations by tens of thousands of Jews anxious to rejoin families abroad.

"The Soviet Union," said Peterson, "has embarked upon a virulent campaign of anti-semitism designed to vilify the Jewish community. This campaign accuses those who desire to maintain a Jewish life or learn Hebrew as traitors to the USSR.... We call on the Soviet Union to cease its continued harassment of those denied exit visas and to curtail its organized programs of anti-semitism."

Peterson, since taking over parliamentary committee from former chairman David Smith, has mounted a strong campaign within Parliament to attract new members to the Soviet Jewry cause. The current membership of 70 senators and MPs makes this all-party committee one of the strongest on Parliament Hill.

A spokeswoman in Peterson's office said the committee's new letterhead, carrying the names of all 70 members, will be a "tangible instrument to indicate the strength of our members' commitment."

**Peterson's active membership drive has also included commitment from 40 committee members to "adopt a family." Parliamentarians will keep in touch with various Refusenik families on a personal basis, to let them know their cause is not forgotten in the Western world, Peterson said.**

# CIC is critical of PM's views

OTTAWA —

**The Canada-Israel Committee has accused Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau of failing to reflect "the balance" of Canadian policy toward the Middle East.**

CIC National Chairman Anne Gross, in a statement, says remarks by Trudeau in Kuwait recently (CJN Dec. 8) struck "a serious imbalance in the articulation" of Canada's policy.

Trudeau said that the Palestinians should be given a homeland on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip and that Israel should withdraw from the administered territories.

He asked Israel to stop and reverse its settlement program, and he noted that President Ronald Reagan's 1982 peace plan didn't go far enough to provide for the possibility of a Palestinian homeland.

Having examined the transcript of Trudeau's remarks in Kuwait, the CIC issued the following statement:

**Mr. Trudeau made a partial statement of Canadian Middle East policy which inadequately reflected the balance of his government's position. It is disturbing to us that in discussing settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Prime Minister did not call for Arab recognition of Israel as a sovereign state within secure and defensible borders.**

**Nor did Mr. Trudeau say that Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories can only be envisaged within the context of peace negotiations based on the Camp David Accords.**

**The impression, therefore, is that there is an implicit downplaying of the need for changes in Arab policies, while at the same time appearing to place the onus for progress towards peace entirely on Israel's shoulders.**

**This reflects a serious imbalance in the articulation of Canadian Middle East policy.**

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# Yiddish - joyous experience

By TAMMY KAROL

MONTREAL —

**Speaking Yiddish will be a "joyous rather than a burdensome experience," if an eloquent band of Yiddish-speaking enthusiasts has its way.**

The National Committee of Yiddish of Canadian Jewish Congress, at a 12-member executive meeting held here recently, resolved to help establish Yiddish-speaking clubs in every major Jewish centre in Canada.

And J. B. Salsberg, national chairman of the committee, envisioned a program whereby Yiddish-speaking authors and singers would visit small communities in their individual provinces.

He said the committee also hopes to organize regional conferences for Yiddish in larger Canadian centres such as Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver next spring.

**"When that takes place, we will probably designate the month of May or June as Yiddish month throughout the country and invite young people and anyone involved with Yiddish groups to participate," Salsberg explained.**

"We are trying to imbue the Jewish population with the feeling that one cannot claim to be an heir to the totality of Jewish culture without including our Yiddish heritage," Salsberg said.

He said that, despite the decline in readership, Yiddish books have attained "the highest artistic achievement."

Salsberg noted that his group supports the Yiddish press, theatre and other cultural programs and is a leader of those who seek to include more Yiddish in our education.

"We also encourage the formation of adult evening classes in Yiddish and seek the establishment of more courses in Yiddish language and literature across Canada," he said.

Salsberg said such courses already exist in universities in Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

## Early deadlines

CJN deadline dates will be advanced during the holiday season.

Editorial deadline for the **Dec. 29 issue** is Monday, Dec. 19 at 5 p.m. Advertising deadline for that issue is Tuesday noon, Dec. 20.

Editorial deadline for the **Jan. 5 issue** is noon on Tuesday, Dec. 27. The ad deadline is noon on Wednesday, Dec. 28.

The CJN offices will be closed Friday, Dec. 23 and Monday, Dec. 26 and again on Friday, Dec. 30.

Your co-operation will be appreciated.

# *Begin ends his isolation with move to new home*

JERUSALEM [JT[ —

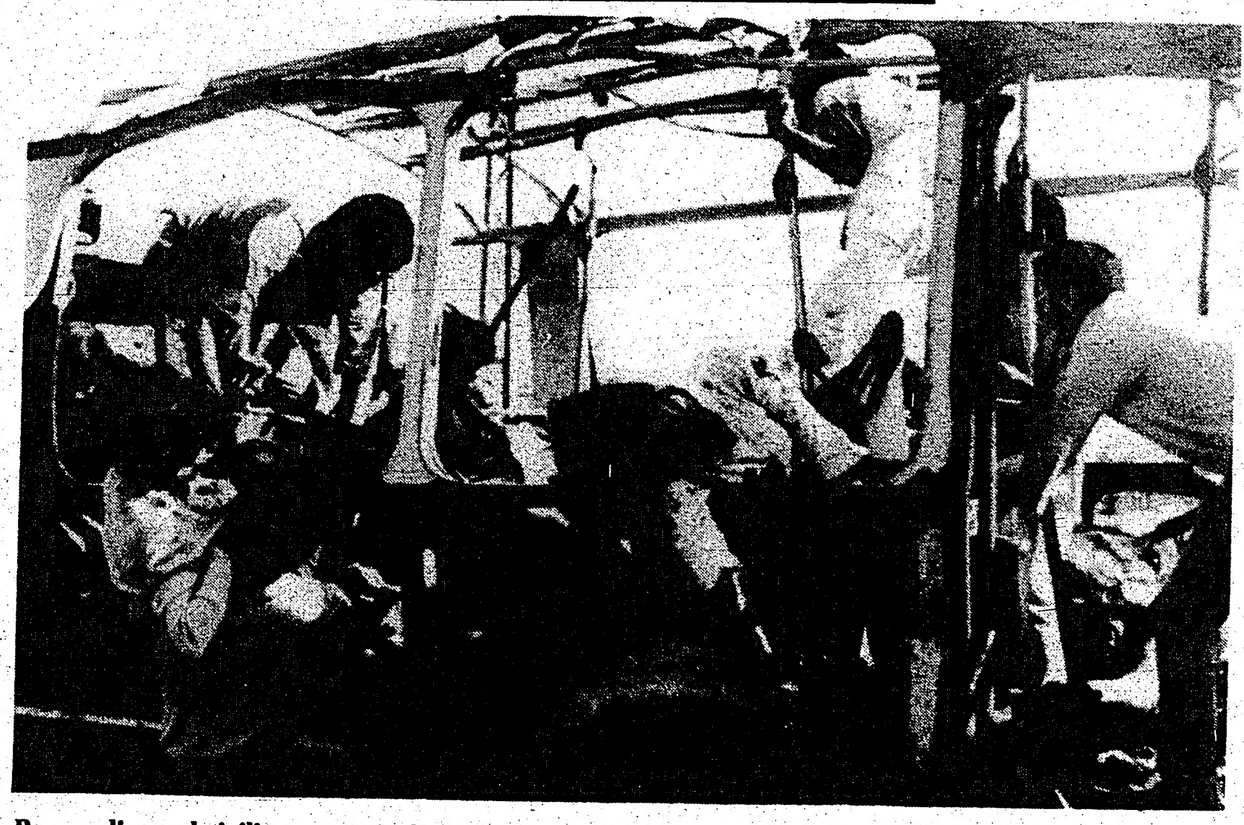
After 102 days of self-imposed isolation, former Premier Menachem Begin quietly moved from his official residence to his new home in Jerusalem Saturday night in an almost clandestine operation.

Begin was driven from the Prime Minister's home in a limousine after dark. Only a few passersby and several photographers witnessed the move.

Photographs of Begin published in Yediot Achronot showed him cleanshaven, indicating that the skin ailment which plagued him has improved.

Begin's transfer to his new home was organized by his son, Binyamin, who had hinted earlier that his father would move. According to one report, even the former Premier's close aides, Yehiel Kadishai and Dan Meridor, did not know that Begin was to move Saturday night.

Begin has been a virtual recluse in the Prime Minister's residence since he announced his intention to resign last August.



**Paramedics and civilians remove the dead and wounded from wreckage of bus in Jerusalem after bomb explosion. [AP Wirephoto]**

# U.S. misread Syria interest in Lebanon

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

The Americans made one of their not infrequent miscalculations when, a year ago, they assumed that if Israel would withdraw from Lebanon, the Syrians would do likewise. The fact is that the Syrians are not there because of Israel, but because they consider the country an indigenous part of greater Syria.

Rabbi Plaut

The experts have long agreed on this, even though the state department in Washington has been slow to agree. One authority who is the assistant director of studies at the British Royal Institute of International Relations, Adeed I. Dawisha, puts it this way:

"The Syrians have always believed that Lebanon and Syria are integral parts of Greater Syria, and that the divisions between the two countries were artificially created by the French to serve their own colonial interests. For instance, there is no Syrian embassy in Lebanon and there are no restrictions of movement between the two countries."

This fits with a remark made earlier this year by the Syrian minister of information, Ahmed Iskandar, who said: "Syria and Lebanon are twin sisters, and it would be an insult to Lebanon to have to maintain diplomatic relations with Syria." (It is, therefore, no insult to Lebanon to occupy 60% of its territory.)

## Stronger than treaty

**To President Assad of Syria, "the Syrians and the Lebanese are one people. What binds us is stronger than any treaty. Syria is concerned with defending Lebanon, and Lebanon is concerned with defending Syria. Whether this is written on paper or not. . . . Throughout history Syria and Lebanon have been one country and one people."**

**According to Dawisha, the indivisibility of Syria and Lebanon constitutes a prime motivating force in its decison making throughout the Lebanese civil war.**

In fact, the Syrians have always claimed that the present frontiers of Lebanon have no historical justification and they resent the dismemberment of the old (Ottoman) Syria under the San Remo Declaration of 1920 whereby the frontiers of the two countries were fixed.

It should be added, however, that Syria is not the only nation which puts forward a claim to Lebanon. Jordan — although it has been quiet in this regard for the last few years — has not surrendered its vision of the future, and neither has Syria's main enemy Iraq, which also forwards claims on the area.

## Role of conquest

Another analyst, Ghassan Tueni, sums it up this way: "When approaching the Middle East one must remember it is **history** not geography that has determined and moulded national identities. To apply the classic concept of natural frontiers to the so-called nation states of the area is to ignore two basic realities.

"First, the notion of nationality in the 19th century European sense is alien to Middle Eastern culture. Second, political societies in the Middle East have not been forged inside natural frontiers like desert boundaries, mountain chains or rivers. Rather, they have been constructed around historical capital cities such as Damascus and Baghdad which throughout the centuries played a role of conquest."

Have the United States administration, and for that matter the Canadian government, finally taken a more realistic look at these motivations and historical precedents? Mr. McEachen's recent pronouncements make one wonder and the current rapprochement of the United States and Israel may also be a temporary expedient rather than a comprehensive view of Syria's real and long-range intentions.

## Shamir called terrorist

# *Reporter fired for TV newscast*

By
TAMMY KAROL

**TORONTO —**

Ottawa-based correspondent Brian Nelson was fired from his job at the CTV network last week after co-anchoring a program on Abu Dhabi television during which he made derogatory remarks about Israel.

**The 35-year-old national news reporter had accepted an invitation from the United Arab Emirates to appear as a guest newscaster, while covering Prime Minister Trudeau's recent 19-day visit of the Persian Gulf.**

Nelson told The Canadian Jewish News he was given little time to go over the script for the program which contained a Middle East news item referring to Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir as "that terrorist Shamir" and calling Israel the "Zionist entity."

He said that after accepting the newscast offer he rushed to the station by car and arrived 15 minutes before air time.

"I was handed the script and looked over the first five or 15 stories trying to pronounce Arab names. It wasn't until I was on and reading the news that I noticed the reference to Shamir . . . I continued reading because I didn't want to cause a diplomatic incident," Nelson said.

The former CTV reporter said he did not stop the newscast because he was live, on air. "I didn't want to draw attention to the anti-Israel remarks and blow them up."

**Nelson, a 13-year journalist, said he was "dumbfounded" by his firing and pointed out that if he knew there would be "something fishy" in the newscast, he would have looked for a trap and not read it.**

He told The CJN that he will be speaking to a lawyer very shortly to discuss what action can be taken by him against CTV.

"The bottom line is they say I should not have undertaken reading the news on a foreign network without their permission," Nelson said.

As a result of the broadcast, Nelson and field producer Barry Barnett were pulled off the Prime Minister's tour on Dec. 2, just a few days before their scheduled return to Canada.

Following a closed hearing last week with Nelson, Barnett, and CTV management, Murray Chercover, president and managing director of the network said "severe disciplinary action" had been taken against Nelson.

The CTV's statement on the firing said: "Mr. Nelson performed the role of newscaster on a network of a foreign country without prior approval of television management, which is inconsistent with established journalistic practice in most democratic countries."

**Bruce Phillips, CTV's Ottawa bureau chief and Nelson's immediate supervisor, told The CJN he was surprised by his co-worker's actions. Added Phillips: "I would have been surprised if any responsible journalist did what Nelson did. This is the first time an incident like this has occurred at CTV."**

According to Nelson, a government assistant who accompanied Trudeau on the Persian Gulf tour informed him and other journalists about the guest newscasting offer before reaching the United Arab Emirates. They were again reminded about the invitation in Abu Dhabi by an official in the local Canadian embassy.

It is apparently a local practice in the United Arab Emirates to have visiting reporters read the English language news, a spokesman in the Prime Minister's office said.

"We didn't encourage or cajole anyone into accepting the invitation . . . we just relayed the Abu Dhabi request," the spokesman added.

He pointed out that Nelson was the only one, on a bus of 30 people, including several journalists, who accepted the newscasting offer.

Nelson joined CTV in November 1981 and was based in Montreal with CFCF-TV, a CTV affiliate, for five years before being transferred to CTV's Ottawa bureau last March.

Michael Donegan, vice-president of news at CFCF, described Nelson as a "first class journalist" but condemned his action on Abu Dhabi television.

**"To go on a foreign TV station and read copy written by someone else with obvious propaganda against Israel, is in my mind a mistake of judgment," he told The CJN.**

Donegan would not say whether Nelson's error was "bad enough" to warrant his firing, because he didn't know any of the mitigating circumstances in the case.

"I don't know in what context he was asked to do the broadcast and whether he may have been threatened to go through with it once the first anti-Israel reference was made," he explained.

Nelson was a member of the House of Commons press council and worked as bureau chief for Standard Broadcasting in Ottawa before joining CFCF.

He worked on several Mideast stories while working at CTV. Prior to that he covered the 1973 Mideast war from Cairo, but never entered Israel.

Nelson maintains his career is over with CTV, but the fate of his colleague Barnett is yet unclear.

Barnett was not fired by the network, but was also at the closed door meeting with Nelson and CTV management.

He told The Canadian Jewish News last week that his case is still being reviewed by CTV and indicated there could be some disciplinary action taken against him.

Incidentally, Barnett is Jewish.

# France honors ex-PM with new stamp issue

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

**PARIS —**

While a law student at Paris in 1921, Pierre Mendes-France, who later became prime minister of France, helped found the first kosher canteen for students, the Foyer Israelite.

This was the only official Jewish student body in France till 1945 when the Union of French Jewish Students was formed. By that time Pierre Mendes-France had made a name for himself in politics and that year was minister of economic affairs.

## *Joined de Gaulle in 1941*

**This week France issued a stamp of Pierre Mendes-France on the first anniversary of his death.**

He was born in 1907 and educated in Paris, became the youngest elected member of the National Assembly in 1932, as a member of the Radical Socialist Party.

He helped found the economic policies of his party, was an undersecretary to the treasury in the Popular Front government of 1938.

Strongly opposed to the Vichy government which came into power in 1939 when the Germans walked into France, he was imprisoned. He escaped in 1941, reached England and joined the Free French under Charles de Gaulle, who made him finance commissioner of Algeria, then a French territory.

**In 1946 Mendes-France became governor of the Bank for Reconstruction and Development, was elected again to the French parliament, and in 1954 became prime minister with a majority of 419 of the 617 seats.**

**The country was heavily involved in the war in Indo-China, a longtime French possession. Mendes-France managed to end the war [which later involved the United States in the Vietnam campaigns].**

At the same time France had problems with other possessions, Morocco, Tunisia and Algeria. Drastic economic policies of Mendes-France in those North African territories caused his political defeat in 1955. The following year he was deputy premier in the government of Guy Mollet, but later resigned over a disagreement on Algeria.

He remained out of the National Assembly till 1967 when he was again elected to represent the constituency of Grenoble. Meanwhile he remained an influential personality in French politics and wrote a number of books on French history and finance. He formed a new leftist United Socialist Party in 1968.

**Throughout his life he was a consistent supporter of Zionism and championed the cause of Israel. Unlike most Frenchmen, he was against wine drinking, preferred milk, and urged his countrymen to follow his example in this regard.**

## *Daily chapters*

The daily chapters in the international 3-year Bible reading cycle of the World Jewish Bible Society and the Jewish Agency are, for this week:

For Thursday, Dec. 15, Ezekiel 6; Friday, Genesis 47:28-50 (Vayechi); Shabbat, I Kings 2:1-12 (haftorah); Sunday, Ezekiel 7; Monday, Ezekiel 8; Tuesday, Ezekiel 9; Wednesday, Ezekiel 10.

A schedule of the current 3-year cycle, which ends in 1985, is available free of charge from the World Jewish Bible Society, POB 7024, Jerusalem.

## HOWDY

**No — this isn't a scene from Dallas. It's an American who recently made aliya, shown on his arrival at Ben-Gurion Airport in Israel, ready for action in pin-striped suit and JR hat. [Uzi Keren photo]**

*"Postponement will have bitter consequences"*

# Peres calls for quick withdrawal from Lebanon

By
JANICE ARNOLD

**MONTREAL —**
Israeli opposition leader Shimon Peres said in Montreal recently that Israel should withdraw "immediately and unilaterally" from Lebanon and start negotiations with Jordan and Palestinian representatives on the future of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Peres said the agreement signed between Lebanon and Israel should be enacted right away and not be dependent upon Syrian approval as originally set out. This agreement offers Israel sufficient guarantees to provide for the security of its northern borders, the Labor Party leader said.

"The longer we remain in Lebanon, the more forces will revolt against our presence. This is not contributing to the establishment of an independent Lebanon.

"The sooner this decision is made the better, for its postponement will have bitter consequences for the peace process. We have seen the awakening of the Shi'ites with their Khomeinist tendencies already."

The Syrians, he noted, are adding 10,000 soldiers a month to their army and receiving more and more Soviet arms.

**After its evacuation from Lebanon, Israel should take the initiative in opening talks with King Hussein and Palestinian representatives from the West Bank and Gaza Strip, according to Peres.**

**He sees the outcome as, not an independent state, but the creation of a "Palestinian-Jordanian entity" comprising the whole of Jordan, West Bank and Gaza Strip except that which is necessary to Israel's security — Jerusalem and the area alongside the Jordan River.**

**These talks, Peres hopes, will lead to a general peace agreement with Jordan.**

The negotiations should be based on United Nations resolutions 242 and 338 and without rejection of President Ronald Reagan's Sept. 1, 1982 peace proposal, but departing from the Likud government's model autonomy for the Palestinians.

Peres believes the opening offer should be "as attractive as possible" to Hussein, without preconditions but ambiguous enough to allow for constructive negotiating.

"If we want peace we must compromise. We have to keep the doors open."

If Israel annexes the West Bank and Gaza the area will return to a "cycle of war," he said. Israel would also not be able to remain a Jewish and democratic state after the forced addition of 1.3 million Arabs to its population. "This would create conditions that would lead to a binational state which would be a catastrophe for posterity."

Peres was in Montreal to speak at a State of Israel Bonds dinner at Tifereth Beth David Jerusalem Synagogue and at a briefing of local Bonds organization and other community leaders.

**On the strategic accord reached between Reagan and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Peres said Israel must be careful to remain independent militarily. "We must remain true to our own self-reliance; we do not want the United States to fight our wars. We are grateful to the U.S. and need to maintain a close relationship but we do not want to involve U.S. soldiers in our defence," he said.**

Peres' advice to Lebanese president Amin Gemayel if he wants to extend his control over Lebanon is to end Christian hegemony and form a national coalition representative of all groups. The alternative is to see a partition of Lebanon.

**Israeli Labor Party leader Shimon Peres, 2nd from right, with State of Israel Bonds organization leaders, from left, Morley Cohen, Sol Polatshek, and Thomas O. Hecht. [Hans Deutsch photo]**

# *New right spreads hate in France*

**PARIS [JTA] —**
Anti-semitism in contemporary France is increasingly hiding under the guise of anti-Zionism or political opposition to Israel, according to a study on modern anti-semitism in France.

Traditional right wing anti-semitism, the study notes, "has been seriously diminished" although it still plays an occasional role, mainly in attacking prominent Jewish personalities.

"The real danger, nowadays, stems from certain leftist groups for whom the State of Israel is the root of all evil," according to the report which also warned that renewed tension in the Middle East could exacerbate this phenomenon.

The study pointed out that "new right" elements have also contributed to the spread of anti-semitism by trying to deny the Holocaust, or minimizing its horrors or of finding excuses for wartime collaboration with the Nazis.

The study calls for continued vigilance and energetic responses to all forms of anti-semitism or misinformation about Jews, Judaism and Israel.

The study was conducted by the CERAC, a Jewish research centre in Paris which is sponsored by the World Jewish Congress — Institute of Jewish Affairs in London, the French branch of the HJC, the Representative Council of Major French-Jewish Organizations (Crif), and the Federation of Jewish Welfare funds (FSJU).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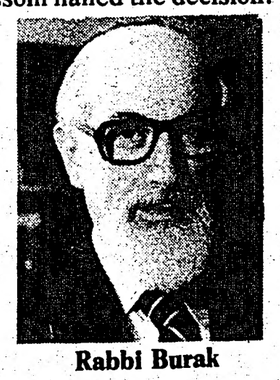
# World-National

## Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

**Question: Was the Jewish Theological Seminary wise in agreeing to ordain women rabbis?**

The answer to this question depends on who and what you are. Reform Rabbi Elyse Goldstein of Holy Blossom hailed the decision. While she recognized that there are some halachic difficulties, she pointed out that in Talmudic days there were some very learned women, Imma Shalom and Beruriah.


Rabbi Burak

She found a precedent for women rabbis in the fact that "in the 19th Century, Chana Rachel, the Maid of Ludomir, preached and functioned as a rabbi even among the chassidim."

**To me, there is a question whether she ever functioned as a rabbi. Was she ever called the Rabbi of Ludomir? Was she known as Rabbi Chana Rachel? Was she ever called Rebbe, or Reb Chana Rachel? No. She never got beyond being called "the Maid of Ludomir."**

So even though the chassidim could do many radical things, they did not go so far as to call her by any of those titles. She could preach and teach when there was a curtain separating her from her flock; and that was all she could do.

Incidentally, Horodetzky, the historian of chassidism, makes the point that chassidism knew much better than did Rabbinic Judaism what to do with a learned woman. But even he overlooks the fact that it was demanded of her that she marry, and that when she married and had lots of children, she disappeared from the preaching and teaching scene.

As for Imma Shalom, she was a very refined, well-born aristocrat. Beruriah was the scholar, and a very brilliant one who could hold more than her own in Talmudic debate.

Here are two stories from her life, as told to us in Tractate 'Eruvin, 53B-54A: Rabbi Yose the Galilean was once on a journey when he met Beruriah. 'By what road,' he asked her, 'Do we go to Lydda?'

**'Foolish Galilean.' she replied, 'Did not the Sages say, "Engage not in much talk with a woman" [Aboth, 1:5] 'You should have asked, By which to Lydda?' The sparks will fly if lady rabbis speak thus.**

Here is a further item regarding her ways of teaching: Beruriah once found a student who was learning in an undertone, and not with the usual chant and the customary swaying that goes with such study. She kicked him and told him that this was not the way to study Torah.

In the Soncino translation of the Talmud, this story has a face lift, and we read of Beruriah "rebuking him." But in the footnotes, it says "she kicked him."

This could make Temple life very exciting. A lady rabbi leading the Mincha-Ma'ariv service discovers that a gentleman is reading a newsmagazine instead of praying. Taking a hint from the Talmudic passage, she could give him a good kick and all would be frailech. His scream on feeling the effect of the pointed toe or the spike heel would be the scream of a genuine penitent.

**Personally, I am surprised that the seminary did not vote to train lady shochtim. There is a great shortage in this field. Many communities have no kosher meat because they have no shochet. And here, there is a considerable body of evidence that women were shochtim, given in the Darke Teshuva, Y.D. Chapter 1:3, 4, 5.**

# Haig denies he gave green light for Israel's operations in Lebanon

By
JANICE ARNOLD

**MONTREAL** — Former U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig says he is deriving some belated satisfaction from the apparent change in American policy on the Middle East, especially the strengthening of its military ties with Israel.

Haig admitted at a press conference that "profound differences with the Reagan administration over Middle East policy" contributed to his resignation in July, 1982, after less than 18 months in the position.

"I view with relief the apparent change in American policy in recent weeks toward a direction I have long favored," Haig said.

Haig was in Montreal to speak at a Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev dinner in honor of Thomas O. Hecht (CJN Dec. 8).

Haig said he is writing a book, to be published by Macmillan in the spring, which will explain his views on U.S. foreign policy based on his three decades of government service and in particular his short term as secretary of state.

Contrary to rumors that he had given Prime Minister Menachem Begin the "green light" to enter Lebanon in June of last year, Haig said "nothing could be further from the truth."

"I spent 18 months as secretary of state trying to prevent Israel's operations in Lebanon.

"But once the war was under way, it was to the collective advantage of the U.S., Israel and the moderate Arab states that Israel win quickly and decisively," he said. On this major point, Haig differed with Reagan.

**The situation in Lebanon today is a "consequence of a series of strategic and tactical errors" in U.S. foreign policy, said Haig.**

Alexander Haig

**A renewal of strategic cooperation with Israel is the only option left for the U.S. to regain some leverage over the outcome of the Lebanese conflict. Such cooperation is "vital," said Haig, who hopes the "reversal" in U.S. policy will be long- term and not based on expediency.**

Moderate Arab states will also find their interests are best served by a close relationship between Israel and the U.S., according to Haig.

"Moderate Arab states look to the U.S. because they believe it can influence Israel. Public differences with Israel make the U.S. irrelevant. The U.S. becomes like any Western European power — sympathetic to the Arab states' cause but unable to do anything for them.

"The moderate Arab world will then look elsewhere. It's no accident that today Egypt is considering reopening relations with the Soviet Union."

Haig emphasized that strategic cooperation with Israel should be in warding off "larger threats from outside the region," namely from the Soviet Union.

The worst thing Israel could do is harness itself with the U.S. against the Arab states."

**Haig deplored "the rushing to the press to condemn Israel" for the Lebanon war by members of the Reagan administration. Those "thoughtless statements by faceless White House staff" were a blow to democracy in Israel.**

"Public criticism of the Israeli government will only reinforce those policies that the U.S. finds disturbing because we deprive the opposition in Israel of its platform to act as a moderating factor.

"The opposition can appear disloyal if it joins with a foreign country in criticizing Israel."

Haig said the U.S. should conduct any criticism of Israel through private, diplomatic channels.

He called the Sept. 1, 1982 Reagan peace plan "well-meaning" but its practical consequences is to link the peace process of the region to the Lebanon issue, with the result being a lack of progress in both areas.

Its assumption of Syrian cooperation in a withdrawal from Lebanon appears "naive" today, as well as the PLO veto over the "Jordanian option."

"The Sept. 1 plan threw away the cloudy water of Camp David in favor of a clearer, more comprehensive settlement which was simply not achievable."

Haig said he hopes the U.S. will "retain the evolutionary, pragmatic vehicle of Camp David."

The only hopeful sign at present has been the revolt against Yasser Arafat's leadership of the PLO, said Haig. Without the PLO, Haig said leaders on the West Bank will be able to arrive at a "rational arrangement to provide for Palestinian autonomy."

## *Paper chain closes*

**JERUSALEM [JTA]** — The first attempt to establish a chain of regional newspapers in Israel has collapsed after seven months of mounting losses estimated in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The publisher, Eitan Communications, announced last week that the 14 weekly newspapers, published under the collective title Rehov Rashi (Main Street), have been closed and some 150 employees — journalists, graphic artists, typesetters and clerical staff were dismissed.

The venture begun last April, failed for lack of advertising.

David Golan, director general of the Danot Investment Group, one of the backers of the enterprise, declined to give details. Haaretz reported that the losses were in six figures.

The chain failed when the promoters were unable to raise additional capital or sell the papers to other parties.

# Israeli ties questioned

**JERUSALEM [JTA]** — The government has publicly disapproved the growing commercial ties between private Israeli businessmen, including some Knesset members, and the Black homelands set up by the apartheid government of South Africa, known collectively — and pejoratively — as Bantustans.

**The government's position, reflecting a desire to distance itself from those entities, was expressed by David Kimche, director general of the foreign ministry. Israel does not recognize these "so-called states nor do we intend to," Kimche declared.**

No country, apart from South Africa itself, recognizes the four homelands — Ciskei, Transkei, Bophtatswana and Venda. They are widely condemned as embodiments of South Africa's apartheid policies.

But while the Israel government has been embarrassed by the well publicized visits of several Bantustan dignitaries, Kimche explained that it could not prevent them from coming to Israel since they arrived with valid South African passports. Neither can the government stop private trade by Israelis with the homelands, Kimche said, although it has recently applied an official boycott.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# Kaplansky gives personal records on human rights to Public Archives

By GAYE APPLEBAUM

OTTAWA —

Kalmen Kaplansky, one of the founding members of the old Jewish Labor Committee, was honored by the Public Archives of Canada here recently when he donated his personal records to the Archives' human rights collection.

**Kaplansky turned over his personal correspondence compiled during his 11-year leadership of the JLC. He has been working on these manuscripts for the past two years at the Human Rights Centre, University of Ottawa. Kaplansky is a consultant and Senior Rights Fellow of the Centre.**

When the JLC was set up in 1946, Kaplansky told the audience at the ceremony, it was the only organization committed to combating overt discrimination and to defending the rights of Black Canadians and Canadians of East European and Japanese origin.

Kaplansky spoke of the JLC's work in that postwar era trying to secure guarantees for Canadians against discriminatory hiring practices. The JLC worked with the trade unions and helped set up a human rights program that provided the groundwork for future human rights legislation.

"If it wasn't for the involvement of the trade unions in Canada during those years, the whole structure of human rights legislation might not have started as early as it did," he said.

While the JLC was actively involved in the resettlement of Holocaust survivors in Canada, it was fighting for the rights of other oppressed groups within Canada as well, Kaplansky said. He spoke of the JLC's 8-year battle to repeal legislation in the Ontario town of Dresden, which had denied Blacks access to restaurants.

"We had to raise money for the court costs, meet with politicians and try and make the public aware of the issues constantly during those eight years," he said.

Ed Ratushny, director of the Centre, acknowledged that the JLC's struggles paved the way for future government-sponsored human rights guarantees. "The JLC was operating in a vacuum" he said.

"Not only were human rights not a public concern, but there was great public ignorance about people from different ethnic backgrounds. We must recognize the tremendous contribution of these people (JLC) in this area," Ratushny said.

**"Kaplansky is the first person to contribute to the PAC's collection, under the auspices of the Centre. We hope to develop a special collection for human rights researchers in the future," Ratushny said. "It is relevant and important to know what went on in the past."**

Following his years as director of JCL in Montreal, Kaplansky moved to the Canadian Labor Congress where he served in the international affairs and human rights areas for a 10-year period. In the late 60s Kaplansky took his lifelong concerns to the international sphere.

He served as a Canadian delegate to a host of UN conferences in New York, Paris and Geneva. In Geneva, Kaplansky developed a close liaison with the Histadrut labor leaders from Israel, a relationship the 71-year-old trade union veteran maintains today.

Kaplansky was named a member of the Order of Canada in 1980. The University of Ottawa, in recognition of his contribution to the human rights field, recently awarded him its highest honor, Doctorat d'Universite.

**The ceremony at the PAC was jointly sponsored by the Centre and the PAC and held in conjunction with the opening of an exhibit commemorating the 35th anniversary of the signing of the UN Declaration of Human Rights.**

**Kalmen Kaplansky, left, presents a volume of his commentary on the struggle for human rights to Dr. Wilfred I. Smith, Dominion archivist. Seated is R. L. Gordon Fairweather, commissioner of the Canadian Human Rights Commission. [Public Archives of Canada photo]**

# Research Institute names directors

By FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

**Four Canadians were appointed last week to become directors of a new $400,000 Canada-Israel joint research institute designed to boost trade between the two countries.**

Ed Lumley, federal minister of regional industrial expansion, announced via the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce names of the four who are to direct the new Canada-Israel Institute for Industrial Research and Development.

They are: Ray Wolfe, chairman and president of The Oshawa Group Limited; Richard Kroft, president of Tryton Investment Co. Ltd. of Winnipeg; Steven Dorsey, president of Micom Canada Ltd. of Montreal; and Dennis De Melto, director general of the department of regional industrial expansion's office of industrial innovation, who will represent the federal government.

**The governments of Canada and Israel signed an agreement last June to form the institute. Each country will contribute $200,000 to establish it.**

Nick Simmonds, executive director of the Toronto-based Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce, which is acting as official trustee for both countries in setting up the institute, told The CJN he expects to find Toronto headquarters for it by next February.

He said the CICC and the institute will initially share office space and expenses.

"Though the institute will be a non-profit organization," he said, "it's expected to become self-sustaining by earning revenues from royalties, by charging fees for professional services, and, in some cases, by taking shares in new companies that become established."

# Morley S. Wolfe named to CMC

OTTAWA —

David Collenette, minister of state for multiculturalism, has announced the appointment of members to the Canadian Multiculturalism Council (CMC) for 1983-84.

Included is Morley S. Wolfe, of Toronto, former president of B'nai B'rith Canada.

Wolfe, a graduate of Osgoode Hall Law School, is a partner in the firm of Burt, Burt, Wolfe & Bowman and practices family law, litigation, corporate and commercial law.

The CMC is a 2-tier body with a working group of 30 members and an advisory group of associates who advise the minister on multiculturalism-related matters in Canada.

The council represents a restructuring of the former Canadian Consultative Council on Multiculturalism, which had voted to both changing the name and decreasing its size to 30 members.

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# Editorial

## Egypt must renew talks

Despite a recent visit to Egypt by a high level Isreal foreign affairs committee led by David Kimche, there appears to be no progress in the Egyptian-Israeli cold peace.

Since the Israeli incursion into Lebanon in the summer of 1982, Egypt has been distancing itself in a number of ways both from the terms of the official peace agreement between the countries and in practical matters of business, tourism and trade.

Moreover, there has been no ambassadorial exchange since the rupture of 1982.

**Even the number of tourists who visit Egypt from Israel has now apparently dwindled down to a trickle; Egyptian tourism to Israel was never very significant in the first place. This is due in part to reports [carried in the New York Times of Sunday, Dec. 4] that prospective Egyptian tourists to Israel are subject to onerous security checks and are therefore unenthusiastic about pursuing such visits.**

One can only react to this hardening of Egyptian political sensitivities with chagrin. As Abba Eban observed to the Soviet ambassador Chuvakhin, when the latter announced Russia's intention of severing diplomatic relations in 1967: — "I added that the fact that a sharp conflict existed between us should encourage us to intensify our diplomatic dialogue, not to break it off. Surely diplomacy is needed when their is conflict, not when there is harmony."

The Egyptians could learn a great deal from this Ebanesque wisdom: only by vetting with candor all contentious issues between the two countries can Israel and Egypt hope to actualize the dreams of the Sadat-Begin accords.

The current freeze has been initiated by Egypt and it represents a retrogressive step — a return to the congealed images of Nasser's Egypt — surely an unwholesome model to follow.

***We hope that President Mubarak will have the wisdom and the courage to undo what has been done and to renew his difficult dialogue with Israel.***

## No to Saudis

West Germany is seriously thinking of selling advanced military equipment to Saudi Arabia. It should not.

The Germans have a special obligation to themselves and to the Jewish people to amend for their sins of the past. No one can erase the infamy of the Third Reich and the crimes it committed in the name of Germans. But the West German government would surely be pouring salt on new wounds by giving the Saudis modern weaponry.

We are sure West Germany can do without arms sales in the Middle East, an area whose conflicts threaten to engulf us all. Surely there are markets elsewhere in the world for its guns, rockets, armored vehicles and the like.

Besides, as the Germans must know, Saudi Arabia is no paragon of peace. Despite American pleas, the Saudis have not supported the Camp David process and neither have they attempted to rally Arab acceptance of Preisdent Reagan's peace plan. Put plainly, they show not the slightest sign of recognizing Israel's existence.

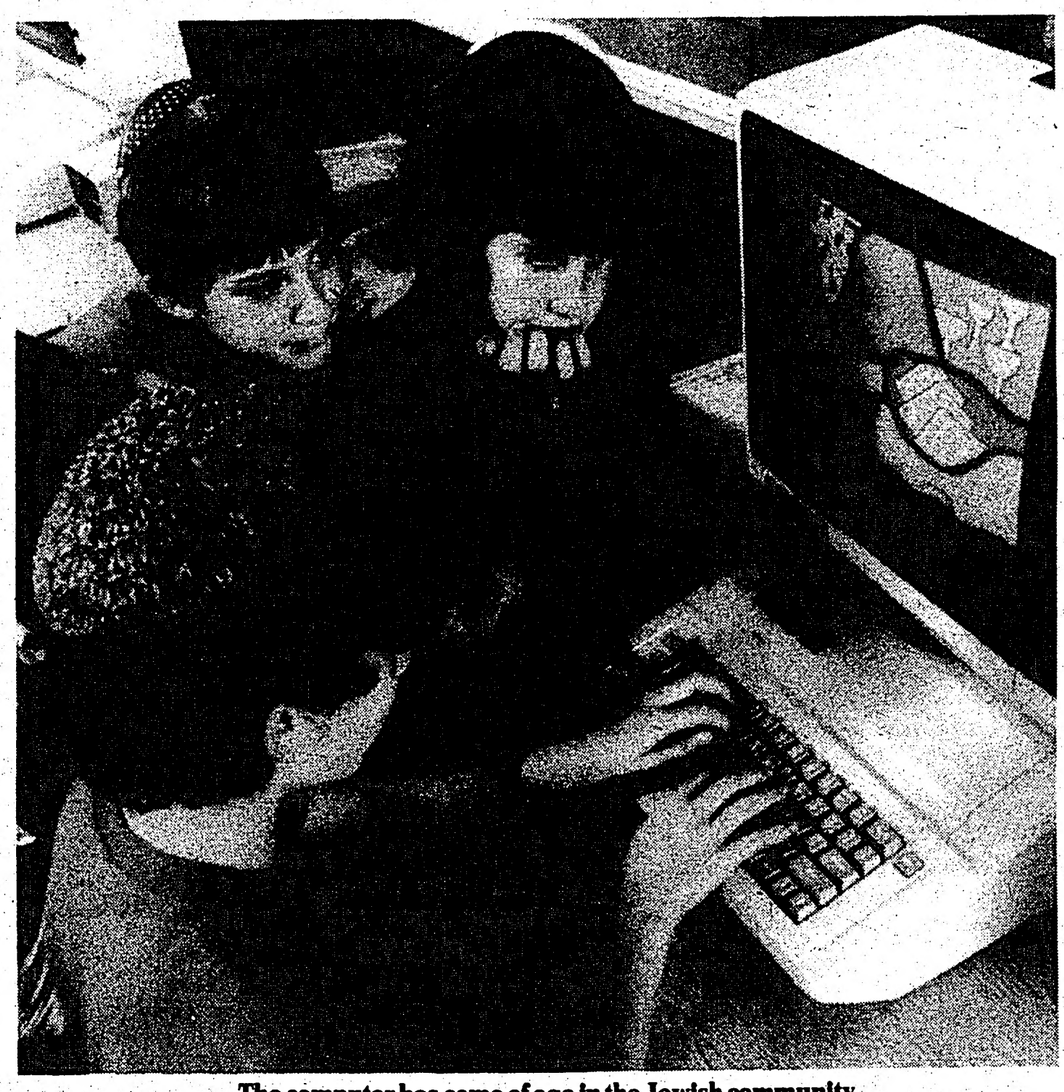
One can imagine what Saudi Arabia might do with German armaments. Can the Germans imagine the uses to which they could be put?

### Community enters electronic age

# *Orthodox lead computer revolution*

THE JEWISH WORLD

By SHELDON KIRSHNER



**The computer has come of age in the Jewish community.**

**The computer** has come of age in the Jewish community.

As usual, the greatest strides in harnessing modern technology to communal needs have been registered in the U.S., which has the world's largest Jewish population.

**Ironically, the most traditional segment of Jewry — the Orthodox — have been in the forefront of the Jewish computer revolution.**

Computers have insinuated themselves into virtually every nook and cranny of the community — from education to fund-raising, reports The Jewish Monthly.

Jewish educators find computers useful classroom aides. Drill and practice, the most common computer exercise, is particularly helpful to slow learners. Computers make excellent tutors because they are infinitely patient and give students individualized attention.

Children have enormous respect for computers, and when a Judaic subject is entered into a computer, it becomes contemporary and, therefore, fun.

Teachers, too, can benefit, since the computer is said to heighten their impact on students.

The computer has one obvious drawback: it can be dangerous for children who are just beginning to develop interpersonal skills. However, this needn't be so if a proper approach is adopted.

**According to The Jewish Monthly, the undisputed leader in Jewish educational software development is the Institute for Computers in Jewish Life, based in Chicago. Through its Davka Corporation, the company has marketed a series of programs which can be played on Apple, Atari and Commodore personal computers.**

Some of the games sound intriguing.

- The Crumb Eater is Davka's answer to Pac-Man. A Pac-Man-type character runs through a maze in a house, gobbling up all the bread crumbs in time for Passover. The player earns 10 points per crumb, but loses five points if Crumb Eater hits a wall.
- How to Bake Challah uses graphics to explain the recipe, while Rosh Hashanah features facts and sayings about the Jewish new year.

The programs are the brainchild of an Orthodox rabbi, Irving Rosenbaum, who founded the Institute for Computers in Jewish Life.

**Rosenbaum's projects may well have inspired some Jewish federations across the country. The federations, whose lifeblood is fund raising, have computerized 28% of Jewish households in the U.S. But the potential is practically limitless.**

A. B. Data Ltd. of Milwaukee, through an analysis of Jewish mailing lists, can identify about 50% of Jewish homes to 90% accuracy. It claims to have roughly 70% of Jewish households stored in its computer.

A. B. Data has also provided information on Soviet Jews, matching Refuseniks with Americans who wish to "adopt" them.

Similarly, the firm has surveyed members of local communities about their interersts in volunteering and then paired them with appropriate agencies.

Computers are reuniting loved ones separated by the Holocaust.

At the American Gathering of Holocaust Survivors, in Washington, 8,000 search requests were fed into a computer. Six hundred matches were produced.

Yad Vashem, the Holocaust memorial centre in Jerusalem, is installing a computer with the names of Jews killed by Nazis. When a relative wants information on a member of his family who perished during the war, the computer will ease the search.

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**WHERE IS WALLENBERG?**

If a computer could trace the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg, the Swede who saved 100,000 Hungarian Jews from the clutches of the Nazis, the world might be a better place.

**Recently, the B'nai B'rith's League for Human Rights sponsored the Canadian premiere, in Toronto, of the film, Raoul Wallenberg: Buried Alive, directed and produced by David Harel.**

The documentary, which uses some footage and stills never seen before, does not have the answer to the ultimate question: is Wallenberg alive or dead? But Harel, whose father was rescued by Wallenberg, presents all but incontrovertible evidence that he was arrested by the Sovet army and kept in captivity long after the Russians claimed he was dead.

The Swedish government does not emerge in a good light. It seems that the Swedes have done little to facilitate his return to his homeland. There was an audible gasp from the audience when a high Swedish foreign affairs ministry official said that Sweden would not have tried to gain new information about Wallenberg when an apparent opportunity presented itself last year, in the guise of a Soviet submarine that got stuck in Swedish territorial waters.

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**GERMAN EMIGRES**

One of the most amazing groups of immigrants to reach America was the German Jew fleeing Nazi persecution. One hundred and thirty-two thousand settled in the U.S. from 1933 onward and, according to Anthony Heilbut, the author of **Exiled in Paradise [Penguin, $27.95]**, they were "to become the most influential group of refugees" to set foot on American soil.

Consider their numbers: Albert Einstein (the scientist), Hannah Arendt (the political theorist), Herbert Marcuse (the political writer), Hans Morgenthau (the international affairs authority), Billy Wilder (the film-maker), Kurt Weil (the composer), Theodor Adorno (the sociologist).

**The German Jews who sought refuge in the U.S. were better prepared for urban life than many refugees who preceded them, and they tended to be well educated and rather affluent.**

Heilbut, whose history of the refugees is comprehensive and sympathetic, claims that American Jews were less than cordial in their welcome.

Many emigres believed that Jewish organizations were insufficiently aggressive in defending their interests, and exploited their situation for Zionist purposes with which the bulk did not agree.

**They insist, to this day, that upper-class American Jews found them an embarrassing hindrance to assimilation while lower-class Jews resented them for being a source of competition. Jews of East European origin, in turn, considered the German Jews arrogant and condescending and were infuriated by their unfamiliarity with Yiddish culture.**

Despite this mutual antipathy, the German Jews usually got on well in their new homeland.

Years after their arrival, political scientists like Karl Deutsch and Heinz Eulau, and sociologists like Lewis Coser, remained leaders in their discipline. Eulau was president of the American Political Scientist Association and Coser held a similar title in the American Sociological Association. Deutsch was read by students in the 1970s, and one tends to think his books are still reauired reading.

**Their impact on Hollywood was considerable. Billy Wilder, Otto Preminger and Douglas Sirk [Detlef Sierck] shaped tastes, in films like Death of a Salesman, Porgy and Bess, Harvey, House of the Seven Gables and The Wild Ones.**

During the war years, Hollywood moguls read the novels of such emigres as Vicki Baum, Lion Feuchtwanger, Franz Werfel and Stefan Heym and made them into movies.

A few of the emigres got into trouble after the war when McCarthyist politicians accused them of being disloyal to the U.S. But this was strictly a passing episode.

**Emigres like Max Horkheimer and Theodor Arorno returned to Germany once the Third Reich crumbled into dust. But, for the majority, there was no going back. "The crime of the Germans is truly the most abominable ever to be recorded in the history of the so-called civilized nations," Albert Einstein wrote in rejecting an invitation. "The conduct of the German intellectuals . . . was no better than that of the mob."**

Germany's loss was America's gain.


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# Opinion

## *"Each case represents a human life"*

# Compassion, fairness guides for refugee committee

By
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OTTAWA —

**You don't expect a top-ranking civil servant to shed light on his job by referring to Jewish law. But Joe Stern is different.**

**"We govern ourselves very much according to the Talmud," explains the youthful chairman of the Refugee Status Advisory Committee. "There is a wise saying which expresses the spirit underlying our refugee process. It is written in the Talmud that "He who saves one life, it is as if he had saved the entire world."**

Joe Stern and his committee of 14 men and women cannot do the impossible: they cannot prevent the causes which spawn the refugee problem throughout the world, nor do they have the authority to admit more than a tiny percentage of the refugees from South America to Asia.

Working within these limitations, Stern and his associates do have a responsiblity — and a mandate — to be fair and compassionate.

Stern, whose committee screens applications from foreigners within the country who want to remain as refugees, hasn't been hardened by the thousands of cases that have crossed his desk.

"Each case represents a human life, a human destiny," says the 43-year-old native of Spedden, Alberta, a village which had a population of about 30 when he lived there. "Many of our cases are really touching."

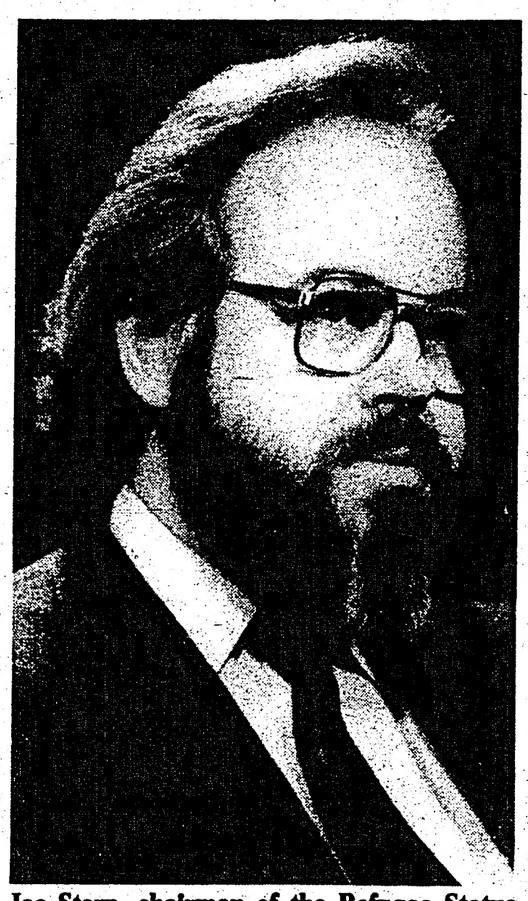
"Can you imagine a Kalman Kaplansky or a Joe Kage being hardened?" he adds, referring to two of the committee's members.

Kaplansky is the former director of an international labor organization, while Kage is the onetime national executive director of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada.

Stern, who has been chairman of the committee since May of 1982, defines a refugee as anyone who has a well-founded fear of persecution based on their race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular group.

A refugee is also someone who has been victimized by war, famine or natural disaster.

In the past 35 years, an estimated 10 to 15



**Joe Stern, chairman of the Refugee Status Advisory Committee.**

million persons have been relegated to the status of refugees. Lloyd Axworthy, the former immigration minister, said: "Very simply, we must recognize that for the foreseeable future, refugee problems are not going to be periodic . . . (but) chronic . . ."

Canada, in recent years, has liberalized its immigration and refugee policies, having adopted measures which transcend conditions in the local labor market.

**All sorts of reasons can account for the change, but Canada's indifference to Jewish refugees during the Holocaust probably may have had some effect on the gradual thaw in policy.**

Today, Stern says, refugee determination must nor only be fair — but be seen to be fair.

**Last year, his committee dealt with some 3,500 claims [100 to 200 of the claimants were Jewish, hailing from Eastern Europe, Iran and South America], and 1,000 of the refugees were permitted to stay in Canada.**

"The numbers might have been higher if not for the fact that many of the refugees require visas to get into Canada," he observes.

When an individual claims refugee status, he is questioned under oath, and the transcript is sent to Stern's committee. "We look at the case and compare it to the situation in the country. We have to establish if their fears are well-founded."

In considering each case, committee members bear in mind two overriding presumptions: the applicant is presumed to be telling the truth unless there is clear evidence to the contrary, and the benefit of the doubt must always be resolved in favor of the claimant.

"If we turn someone down, we explain why," says Stern, who works with such organizations as the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services. "We're accountable. We've brought the selection criteria into the open and that was not the case before."

Should a refugee be rejected, he can appeal. Failing that, he can go to a federal court for redress.

Although more than half of all applicants are rejected by the committee (which has no jurisdiction over special cases involving refugees from Vietnam, for example), Stern thinks Canada ranks very high in terms of its generous approach to the refugee.

"The racism that exists in Canada won't deter the government from responding generously and humanely to refugees," he asserts.

The first chairman to report directly to the minister of immigration, Stern has been in this sensitive field for the past three years.

He was recruited by Axworthy, who is now minister of transportation. He and Axworthy were classmates at the University of Manitoba, in Winnipeg, and are still good friends.

If not for his friendship with Axworthy, who was once touted as a successor to Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, Stern says he wouldn't have risked his "perceived status as a non-political civil servant" to work for him.

**"When he asked me to be his senior policy advisor, I expressed reluctance at first, saying I had no experience in immigration," says Stern, who was then an associate director in the department of fisheries and oceans. "But he pointed out the obvious — that he had no more experience than me, and that he had all the technical experts he needed."**

**Despite his inexperience, Stern was no rank newcomer when he started as Axworthy's advisor. As he puts it: "As a Jew, I was very conscious of the whole problem of migration and, of course, the refugee question."**

Under Axworthy, the department was increasingly responsive to the human dimensions of immigration and refugees. And Stern feels he had no small role to play in these developments. "Axworthy gave me a great deal of freedom," he says.

Besides briefing him on current issues, Stern reviewed programs, ensured that ministerial directives were implemented, co-ordinated task forces and policy committees and represented Axworthy in meetings with senior officials of other governments and private organizations.

Stern joined Axworthy's office more than a year before the minister was transferred to transportation in a cabinet shuffle. He did not follow him there because he had no "consuming interest" in transportation and had previously advised him he would leave after two years.

Much to Stern's good fortune, he and his new boss, John Roberts, get on well.

If you ask Stern why he has chosen to carve out a career in the public service, he smiles and tells you it was something of an accident.

**A gentle, self-effacing man, he is the son of Russian immigrants who settled in Canada early in this century. His late father, Isaac, came here in 1912. He owned a general store. Fanny, his mother, arrived in 1908. She and and her father settled in Edenbridge, Sask., a Jewish farming community.**

Isaac Stern went to Spedden after spending years in Winnipeg. Later, he moved his family to Edmonton.

At one point, Joe Stern was all ready to study in an American rabbinical seminary. But the plan never materialized because his parents could not bear the thought of being separated from him.

**"If Edmonton had a seminary, my life might have taken a different course," says Stern.**

He studied economics at the University of Manitoba, but law was always at the back of his mind. He discovered, however, that he was not suited for the legal profession, so, in 1963, he turned to social work.

Convincing Winnipeg's department of social welfare to hire him as a social worker, Stern stumbled almost immediately. "In spite of my compassion, these people I worked with needed more than sympathy. It was a dreadful experience."

With his background in economics, Stern went on to be an industrial and labor economist for the province of Manitoba. Between 1966 and 1968, he was employed as a regional economist in Nova Scotia.

This was his stepping stone to the federal fisheries department, where he worked for 12 years.

At fisheries, Stern rose steadily in the ranks, becoming the associate director of economic policy and planning. Principally, his function was to review fisheries policy.

On his way up, he was head of a task force on ship utilization and chief of policy and research in the recreational fisheries branch.

Stern, who describes himself as a religious person, is married and has two teen-aged children. Davee, his wife, is a trained psychiatric nurse, but is now studying political science and geography at Carleton University.

He is interested in science and things mechanical, but Jewish affairs interest him most of all. Stern, who says his Jewishness is "an extremely important part of my life," is a congregant of Temple Israel, a Reform synagogue.

He has taught Jewish history at Temple Israel and was chairman of its religious education program.

**Jewish law and ethics mean a lot to Stern, and he believes that they help him do his job at the Refugee Status Advisory Committee.**

**"Respect for life and the dignity of others touches on the very essence of Judaism," he says. "This respect is an act of faith, not instinct. If it were otherwise, the world would be in better shape. I strive to ensure that my conduct reflects my faith."**

# *Street name is appropriately symbolic for headquarters of Magen David Adom*

By
CHARLES LAZARUS

TEL AVIV —

The name of the street is Giborei Israel which, translated, reads "Heroes of Israel." How appropriately symbolic.

I am sitting in the central dispatch office at Magen David Adom on Giborei Israel St. in Tel Aviv.

It is a calm warm day, early afternoon, and the streets around this well worn building are bustling and buzzing as is the true character of Israel's busiest and most boisterous city.

The tour of MDA's headquarter facilities having been completed according to protocol, the sorting-out process has now begun.

How is it possible, within this rather modest structure (from which no longer springs the fountain of youth) for Magen David Adom to coordinate and implement just about everything necessary, from blood supplies to emergency action to ambulance dispatching, for the most fundamental Judaic mitzvot, Pikuach Nefesh, the saving of life?

The name of the street where MDA's national nerve centre is located in Tel Aviv — Heroes of Israel — provides a good part of the answer: It is in terms of sacrifice that MDA came to be, and it is from the devotion to those whose life is endangered, that this robust institution receives its main energy.

Suddenly the reverie is broken by a sharp, almost shrill clip of words over the intercom speaker in the dispatcher's office. There is an emergency, and within minutes we are on our way.

No, this is not a terrorist onslaught, nor an accident, nor even the unexpected arrival of a newborn Israeli in a taxi.

Rather, as it turns out, it is possibly the most "normal" of human emergencies — the collapse of a citizen on a city street — cardiac, diabetic, epileptic? No one yet knows.

**Following, then, is the chronolgy of how Magen David Adom handled this particular human crisis, from the perspective of an eyewitness who rode in the ambulance as, siren wailing and lights flashing, it sped to the scene of the emergency:**

14:11 — The chat with the chief paramedic on duty, 23-year-old Eli Ginzberg, is low-key and laid back, and just as he explains the procedure for various situations, the conversation is interrupted: "Cheroot Choleh Lev," the intercom rattles the words across the small dispatch room, a heart emergency possibility, Ginzberg moves calmly but swiftly, and responds almost automatically following the call processed by dialing the emergency number 101.

## Equipped with every conceivable piece of equipment

14:13 — Three of us are in the ambulance which is on its way towards Rehov Rambam: A doctor, paramedic, and the non-professional eyewitness who is ianugurated into the wondrous workings of Magen David Adom.

**The interior of the ambulance, of which there are hundreds distributed around the country, is the quintessential example of good emergency planning. However this particular emergency carrier, is one of 13 vehicles known as Mobile Intensive Care Unit Service "centres," and equipped with virtually every conceivable piece of equipment required for anything from cardiac arrest to burn trauma to delivery of impatient newborns who can't wait.**

14:18 — Seven minutes after the intercom barked the call in the dispatching office, the MDA team arrives at the scene of the emergency where an elderly man, eyes half-closed and lips barely moving, soundlessly, is stretched on the sidewalk, surrounded by a concerned but helpless group.

14:20 — the MDA unit moves swiftly and surely: Nine minutes, precisely after the call arrived at the MDA communications nerve centre, the ECG (electrocardiogram) monitors are placed, intravenous glucose administered, the patient tenderly placed inside the ambulance, and we are sirening our way to Ichilov Hospital, arriving in six minutes.

When it's all over, my reaction is threefold:

- Moving swiftly on MDA's errand of mercy, with the patient now carefully monitored by human skills and mind-boggling technology, the mind keeps telling you, there but for the Grace of God, etc., etc.
- Passing along streets with names such as Allenby, Melech George and David Hamelech, is to realize that an MDA ambulance on an emergency mission is also a reminder of Jewish history through the millenia, and through which the mitzvah of Pikuach Nefesh, the Saving of Life, has been so dominant a force.
- Finally, it is clear that the planning, efficiency and dedication of the MDA staff is of impressively high calibre — higher substantially, in my amateur judgment, than emergency services available in some of North America's most advanced cities including New York and Montreal.

Even in a relatively mundane matter such as emergency services in life-threatening situations, Israel is already a light unto the nations.

As they say in mameh loschen:

M'zohl nish bedarfen . . . But . . .

# Opinion

## *Reagan "determined to implement his decisions"*

# Shamir optimistic over Israel-U.S. strategic ties

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

The United States and Israel now have a change to significantly enhance their overall relationship. It will soon become apparent whether all of the talk of closer strategic ties is simply rhetoric, or whether there will be some real meat attached to the bones.

**Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir recognized this when he met with me to assess the outcome of his just concluded talks in Washington with President Ronald Reagan. Sitting in his Washington Hilton suite, the Prime Minister, in his own low-key style, was clearly upbeat — but not overly so — in looking down the road of American-Israeli ties. He was relaxed and confident in his tone and appearance.**

For one thing, he was impressed by Reagan personally. "I felt a very friendly attitude toward Israel and toward me personally," Shamir said. "The President was warm and very friendly, not only in the formal prepared statement which he read during the course of the visit, but also in the private exchanges in the White House.

"He understands the problems of the area. He has received a great deal of information from the people who discussed these issues during my visit. He is very determined to implement his decisions to cooperate with us, to go ahead with us."

Asked why Reagan reached this conclusion, Shamir replied that the President simply decided that this course of action best serves U.S. interests in the region.

But it also goes beyond that, Shamir added. Reagan, he said, personally has a deep feeling for Israel which goes back many years, "back to the creation of the State of Israel and even to the end of World War II.

**"He is convinced that there is an identity between U.S. and Israeli interests in the Middle East today. And in connection with this we must coordinate and deter the aggression that can thwart the implementation of the American-Israeli policy which, in *its entirety, is aimed toward achieving peace* and stability."**

The Prime Minister, who had two days of meetings with Reagan and other senior administration officials, said he had not specifically invited the President to visit Israel. "We didn't talk about it," Shamir said. "Simply, I wasn't familiar with his planned schedule. Maybe during the course of time we will get around to that."

The visit did produce, he said, an important step forward. "There is no doubt that this is an important step forward because if you paid attention, you noticed that we did not put the emphasis on documents. We put the emphasis on practical matters. Still, the test will come when these matters upon which we agreed will be implemented in reality. But we will see this in the very near future."

He said, for example, that by January, during the first meeting of the joint U.S.-Israeli Political/Military Committee, much of this will become very evident — that is, whether or not there is going to be a significant change in the strategic relationship.

By that time, the U.S.-Israeli negotiations for the creation of a free trade area should also be underway, he said. "We will do everything we can to see that everything moves forward quickly."

Asked when joint military exercises might begin, the Prime Minister said the committee will have to decide that matter. "But there is no doubt that this will take place soon."

Regarding foreign aid, he said the exact level of military assistance for Israel in the next U.S. budget is still being considered — even while we spoke.

But the Prime Minister did not try to sweep U.S.-Israeli differences under the carpet. He acknowledged that there were still problems — some long standing.

**"There are differences of opinion," he said. "They did not hide this — the matter of settlements; the Reagan Plan; the attitude towards the supply of arms to Arab states — those states which they call moderate. They didn't hide these differences of opinion. We also did not avoid them.**

"As usual though, we agreed to cooperate in those areas where we could agree, as is normal between two states. And there are many such important areas."

Certainly, he said, Lebanon was the most immediate problem, since it requires solutions.

Thus, the stage may now be set for a new chapter in the relationship. The promise is certainly there. Shamir returned home confident but not absolutely certain it would materialize.

**Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir with President Ronald Reagan.**

Seen over a span of 35 years of U.S.-Israeli relations, the recently enhanced economic, military, and political cooperation between Washington and Jerusalem did indeed represent yet another milestone in the real maturing of the relationship.

Thus, when President Chaim Herzog was in Washington a week before Shamir, the President recalled his four years in the U.S. capital as the Israeli embassy's military-attache during the early 1950s. At that time, he pointed out, he had to work feverishly to convince the U.S. defence department to permit one Israeli soldier to come to America to enrol in a military driving course.

The Pentagon was very fearful that any military ties with Israel — no matter how modest — would cause problems for the United States in the Arab world. In the end, the Israeli soldier was allowed to learn U.S. techniques in driving a Jeep, provided it was all hushed up.

**Herzog, in putting the current U.S.-Israeli military relationship into some additional historic perspective, also recalled that the late Moshe Dayan, then a senior Israeli Army officer, came to Washington during that early period on some official business. It was a great victory for the Israeli embassy, Herzog said, when the then chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff accepted an invitation to attend a dinner in Dayan's honor.**

In those days, there were no pretentions of any military partnership with the United Staes. The Americans simply feared that the Arabs would not stand for it.

Moreover, there were no U.S. arms sales to Israel. Although President Harry Truman had rejected the recommendations of the state department and had recognized Israel's independence, he later accepted another state department opinion by including Israel in an arms embargo affecting the entire region.

The arms embargo against Israel remained in effect throughout the 1948-49 War of Independence and both terms of the Eisenhower administration. It was not until the Kennedy administration in the early 1960s when the United States and Israel concluded their first arms deal — involving an older version of the Hawk anti-aircraft missile system.

Since then, U.S.-Israel military ties have dramatically improved, especially in the aftermath of the 1967 Six Day War when France slapped an arms embarago against Israel. The U.S. has become Israel's major weapons supplier. Israel, moreover, is today the largest U.S. military aid recipient. Thus, in the most recent Foreign Aid Bill, Israel received $1.7 billion in military aid — half in the form of loans, the rest as outright grants.

Not only has the United States provided mass funding for the Israeli pruchase of U.S. arms, but the Americans have made virtually all of their most advanced conventional weaponry and technology available to Israel — meaning the best fighter aircraft, missiles, radar, armor and artillery.

**Naturally, the Arabs have carefully monitored this developing, but still unwritten military alliance between the U.S. and Israel. Publicly, they profess their opposition, but privately they have come to accept it as a basic fact of life. This was made clear by a senior U.S. official who briefed reporters at the White House on Nov. 29 following the second Reagan-Shamir meeting. "I don't expect it to be the source of any great problems," he said, referring to the latest U.S.-Israeli steps to improve strategic ties.**

The new joint committee will coordinate future policy in all sorts of areas, including Lebanon. It also will consider, in Reagan's words, "combined planning, joint exercises, and requirements for prepositioning of U.S. equipment in Israel."

The President and other U.S. officials made their belief that this greater cooperation with Israel was designed to address the Soviet threat to the region — not necessarily any Arabs.

"This group," Reagan said, referring to the newly formed committee, "will give priority attention to the threat to our mutual interests posed by increased Soviet involvement in the Middle East."

The emphasis attached by Shamir was pointedly different. "The aim of this cooperation is to strengthen Israel and deter threats to the region," he said, without directly referring to the Soviet Union.

Two years ago the U.S. and Israel signed a memorandum of understanding on strategic cooperation which also held out the promise for more intimate ties. The Arabs quickly expressed their deep concerns. But the agreement was suspended by the administration one month later when Israel annexed the Golan Heights.

**Since then, Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger and other U.S. officials have expressed a readiness to revive it, but the new Israeli leadership of Shamir and Defence Minister Arans has resisted those proposals. They are not all that anxious for formal documents; what they want are practical measures to get the job done.**

# *Soothsayers have a catastrophic year as crystal balls fail to create clear picture*

By
CARL ALPERT

HAIFA —

Many Israelis take astrology seriously, and the forecasts for the future based on horoscopes are often factors to be considered when business or personal affairs are being planned.

A review of the forecasts in recent years shows a fair degree of successive predictions, including a couple of bullseyes.

At the end of December, 1982, the astrologists studied their graphs, charted the heavenly movements of the planets, and pinpointed the zodiac signs of public personalities. They then went on public record with their predictions for the year 1983.

We never accept blindly their own reports of success. A year ago we carefully snipped from the papers the various prophecies and now that 1983 reaches its close we compare the prognostications with what actually happened.

It has been a catastrophic year for the soothsayers.

Herzl Lipshitz, the most distinguished forecaster of them all, managed to produce a mixed record. Last year he foresaw the war in Lebanon and told us that the Reagan Plan was not worth the paper it was written on. To be sure he also predicted the assassination of Hussein, with Arafat's taking over Jordan. All that was in 1982. What did he foresee for 1983?

**Contrary to general expectations, he said, this would be a good year for Israel's economy. Despite inflation, good times would continue. As we now know, he could not have been more wrong.**

**Lipshitz also saw national elections being held in 1983, with the Likud emerging as winner. This year would see the political collapse of Shimon Peres. Well, there were no national elections.**

Dan Talmor, another popular crystal gazer, also found elections in the stars this year. He and Lipshitz apparently looked at the same stars. Talmor warned that war would break out in the north in September or October. As for Menachem Begin, he would get through 1983 without any problems, but after March of 1984 his health would begin to deteriorate and he would resign from the premiership. Reality came quicker than Talmor had anticipated.

Still in the political field, he saw Yitzhak Rabin ousting Peres from leadership of the Labor Party, but then falling victim to health problems himself, with Yitzhak Navon taking over the leadership.

Danny Harman erred in his predictions on Begin in the other direction. He declared that Begin's health would cause him to resign in March of this year. This was to be followed by national elections in May or June. Ariel Sharon's popularity would increase enormously. Economic conditions would get even better during the summer.

If the astrologists invested in the Tel Aviv stock exchange on the basis of their own predictions they must be all broke by now.

Yehudit Gabai expected open conflict between Egypt and Israel this year, based on Mubarak's extremism and stubbornness.

On a global basis, Israel's expatriate Uri Geller also had some predictions for the year 1983. He foresaw Reagan's withdrawing from the presidency because of illness before the end of 1983, with Vice-President George Bush succeeding him. Ayatollah Khomeini would die before the end of the year, and in November a devastating earthquake would destroy parts of southern California.

If the "experts" can get away with these predictions, why can't I try my own hand, and without reference to Mars, Jupiter, Venus or Uranus. Personally, I am a Taurus.

**Oracle Alpert proclaims that in 1984 there will be a violent confrontation between secularists and religious extremists in Israel; economic conditions will improve, despite a wave of strikes called by the Histadrut against the government; a major technological breakthrough by Israeli scientists will make headlines everywhere; there will be a marked upturn in immigration to Israel from the free West; no Israeli will win a Nobel Prize this year; Yitzhak Navon will not take over the leadership of the Labor Party; commercial television will be on the verge of making its debut here.**

Just check me next year!

# DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Bronislaw Huberman, one of the leading violinists of the early 20th century, was born in Czestochowa, Poland, on Dec. 19, 1881. He was instrumental in founding the yishuv's (Jewish settlement in the Holy Land) national philharmonic orchestra.

**The resurgence of anti-semitism in Poland in the 20s and early 30s, the increasing anti-Jewish restrictions in Germany, and the threat of Nazi domination menacing Austria and Czechoslovakia forced many leading Jewish artists and intellectuals to flee. Hundreds sought refuge in Palestine, along with thousands of other Jews from Central Europe who had made up their audience.**

Many in Palestine had been active since World War I as teachers, and members of chamber music, operatic, choir, band and orchestral groups. The new immigrants bolstered their number and formed large pools of musicians and music lovers in Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem. Preventing them from organizing a national orchestra were: the differences in their languages; the all-consuming effort of adjusting to their new country; the overriding priority to settlement and security consuming the yishuv's limited resources; and the lack of a dynamic leader.

The Vienna-based Huberman first visited Eretz Yisrael in 1929, giving four concerts in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. He went again in 1931, in order to, as he told a Viennese newspaper, "participate in the endeavors undertaken there to realize the great work." A busy schedule in Western Europe prevented him from delving more deeply into the yishuv's potential.

In December, 1935, he received a letter at Schloss Hetzendorf, the residence put at his disposal by the city of Vienna, asking for help in starting a national symphony in the yishuv. It was from cellist Joseph Weissgerber, scion of a musical family from Czernowitz, on the Ukrainian-Romanian frontier. Weissgerber, who left his most recent home in Berlin earlier that year to settle in Palestine, was soliciting a message of encouragement with which he and fellow enthusiasts could build a national symphony.

Huberman, at the height of his season, responded immediately with a telegram, and arranged to perform a series of 13 concerts in the yishuv in January. One would be a benefit performance for the Palestine Philharmonic Society Ltd., the fund raising arm of the yet-to-be-born symphony, with headquarters on Tel Aviv's Rothschild Blvd.

**In his relatively long stay, Huberman was enthralled by the vibrancy and optimism of Tel Aviv. The city's mood and climate were in complete contrast to those of Europe's capitals, whose glittering lights seemed about to go out. He wrote glowing letters back home.**

On his return, Huberman plunged into the manifold task of building an orchestra. He cancelled concerts for important meetings with donors, musicians and critics, and solicited funds and other aid through an extensive international correspondence.

Huberman's reputation and enthusiasm, the audacity of launching a new Jewish institution at a time when Jewish culture and learning were becoming increasingly maligned, and international artistic sympathy and encouragement hastened the project. In about a year he was selecting the orchestra's musicians from the yishuv and from Germany, Poland, Holland, Hungary and Austria.

The Palestine Philharmonic Orchestra performed its first concerts in December 1936. Directing its debut was Huberman's good friend Arturo Toscanini, bestowing an immediate international rank.

**The orchestra stimulated cultural life in Palestine as the yishuv approached its grimmest days. It provided an important link in the road to unification for the populace's diverse elements. Politically, the PPO was an audible statement of the cultural and artistic maturity of a people seeking their independence.**

Huberman died in 1947, one year before the PPO changed its name to the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and went on to become one of the world's leading and most innovative orchestras.

The IPO marked the centenary of his birth a year ago with a week-long tribute of concerts across Israel.

## AG's consent not needed

# *Charges are laid against Zundel*

**TORONTO —**

Charges under a little-known section of the Criminal Code have been laid against Ernst Zundel, 44, a local printer who, it is claimed, has been disseminating material in Canada and abroad denying that the Holocaust ever took place.

Sabina Citron, an Auschwitz survivor and founder of the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association, laid the charges before a Justice of the Peace under Section 177 of the code.

This section states that "everyone wilfully publishing a statement, tale or news that he knows is false and that causes or is likely to cause injury or mischief to a public interest is guilty of an indictable offense and is liable to imprisonment for two years."

Unlike Section 281 of the code, which deals with hate propaganda, advocating genocide and public incitement to hatred, a prosecution under section 177 does not require the consent of the provincial attorney-general. Attorneys-general are said to be reluctant to lay charges under Section 281 because of the difficulty of proving wilful intent.

A hearing will take place on Dec. 28 to set a date for the trial.

# Trudeau defends remarks

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In the House of Commons last week Prime Minister Trudeau said he's not ashamed of the remark he made in Kuwait that the Palestinians "must be at the centre" of any Middle East peace solution.

"I fail to see how any honest critic can fault me for having said that in public," Trudeau told the House, "when I have stated so many times our position on Israel . . . it's part of government policy that there should be a withdrawal of Israeli settlements from the West Bank."

**Opposition Leader Brian Mulroney told the Toronto Star Israel deserves the "unshakeable and unqualified support of the Canadian government."**

**He said he's "very troubled" by "unbalanced statements" made recently by Trudeau and External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen. Israel, he said, "is our friend and democratic ally and we must stand by her."**

Meanwhile in Toronto last Sunday, Zuhdi Terzi, PLO representative at the United Nations, applauded Trudeau's statements regarding a role for the PLO in the peace efforts and asking Israel to stop moving Jewish settlers into the West Bank. Trudeau also was praised by Rashad Saleh, president of the Canadian Arab Federation.

Terzi and Saleh spoke at a meeting celebrating the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian people, organized by the Canadian Arab Federation. According to a Globe and Mail report Terzi said guerilla attacks against Israeli military are being stepped up as the PLO puts "the gun and the olive branch on an equal footing."

# Programs of counseling service explained to officers of NCJW

**MONTREAL —**

A briefing was held recently for officers of National Council of Jewish Women of Canada on their Israel Family Counselling Association service project by Leah Feurst Freund, the project's executive director from Israel.

IFCA is primarily a pre-marital and marriage counseling service which is a referral agency for psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers as well as a field placement for social work students.

This agency provides counseling services not available anywhere else in Israel, and is funded by NCJW of Canada.

**The Tel Aviv agency deals with families in crisis and the waiting list for their service is four weeks long, with 60-80 prospective clients. Approximately 80 families a week are serviced.**

The service has now expanded to Family Life Education and the counseling of families with handicapped children.

NCWJ will be holding their annual non-dinner event in January for raising funds for this vital service.

Those present at the briefing were: Sheila Freeman, national vice-president; Marcia Bernick, treasurer; Helen Marr, immediate past president; Gloria Roden, administrative secretary; Eleanor Appleby, executive director, NCJW of Canada; Betty Stone, executive director, NCJW Toronto Section; Eleanor Cooper, president, Toronto Section; Donna Zener, IFCA chairperson, Toronto Section.

**Standing outside the Israel Family Counseling Association are, from left: Roberta Lawee, Carol Slater and Helen Marr.**

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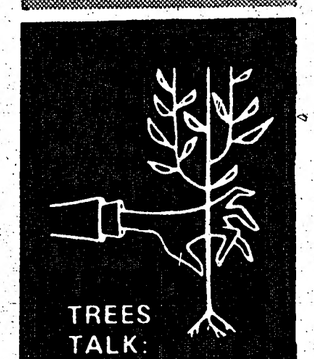


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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### RABBI'S WIFE RAPS FEMINISTS

The letters protesting Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg's opinions on the ordination of women (Nov. 10) dismayed me. The editor should have exercised his right to eliminate insulting personal remarks against the rabbi.

It is sad that people, who are so eager to defend the right of women to voice their opinion and who attack his so-called "lack of concern with ethics," are so unethical that they try to deny his right to express a very legitimate opinion.

There is no denying the fact that the demand for "equality" : minyan, aliyot and ordination for women is a feminist issue; and it has to be seen as part of the power struggle of the feminist movement. It is no coincidence that the Catholic and Protestant churches have to deal with the same problem.

**With some notable exceptions, this demand does not origiante from the source of great religious fervor. Orthodox women, who perform mitzvot daily, study Torah, and pray regularly in the privacy of their homes, do not demand extra obligations in the synagogue.**

**No matter how old-fashioned and trite this may sound, the fact is that it is the Jewish mother who is making the greatest contribution to Jewish continuity. She does not do it by preaching from the pulpit.**

It is not true that denying women the right to be counted in minyan or to be ordained is denying them a voice in the community, or that it means "stay out of my shul."

Since when does one go to shul only to perform? One goes to pray and to study, not to make symbolic feminist statements.

Let us keep the shul a holy place. It should not be an arena of power struggles.

In conclusion, I, as an Orthodox woman, active in the field of Jewish education and in the community, wife of an Orthodox rabbi, do not feel insulted at all by being denied the very questionable privilege of being called rabbi.

Unfortunately, the title is becoming inflated, devalued currency, and its bearers can be attacked and insulted just for following the dictates of the Torah and their conscience.

**Miriam Hauer**
**Montreal**

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### CALLS ATTACKS "HYSTERIA"

When I read your respondent's shrill replies to Rabbi Friedberg's commentary, it prompted me to seek out an old copy of The CJN and reread his remarks. In doing so, I discovered that, on the whole, they distorted his meaning.

Rabbi Friedberg wrote about distinctions between men and women with respect to religious functions **only**. Your correspondents hardly addressed that seminal point, but instead went off in a host of different directions.

It seems to me that almost every Jew I know accepts the lighting of candles by women and prefer that tradition to hold. In effect, therefore, Jews generally recognize masculine and feminine differences in religious participation.

Rabbi Friedberg obviously wants the line to be drawn in one place and your letter writers want it somewhere else. But the Conservative movement has always had trouble deciding where that line should be drawn.

So why all the hysteria now?

**Dr. Michael G. Davis**
**Toronto**

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### BARBRA MISSES YENTL'S POINT

Tucked away in the Dec. 1 issue is a small article reporting that Isaac Bashevis Singer doesn't like the film that Barbra Streisand made out of his short story, Yentl. Yet a week earlier, writer Frank Rasky lauded it. Why the difference in opinion?

Streisand has made an excellent film. Unfortunately, she misses the point of the short story. Yentl doesn't love Avigdor; she loves the study of the Talmud.

**In making it a feminist film, Steisand misses the most feminist statement of all. Yentl was a woman who preferred the study of halacha to marriage and family life. In the story, she wants to study Mishna and Gemorrah with him, not darn his socks.**

The film Yentl wants to be a mother; the story Yentl wants to be a Talmud hacham.

Did Barbra not think Jews, let alone non-Jews, could understand that a woman might not devote her life to study? Would Jews believe anyone of either gender would want to do that? Pity.

**Ray Havelock**
**Toronto**

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### RAVES FROM A Y JOCK

I believe that you should run a supportive letter to balance the critical one in connection with the play Taking Steam presented at the Leah Posluns Theatre ("Locker room drama? Tut-Tut!", Letters, Nov. 17).

The play touches people in many different ways, but if one just happens to be a "Y Jock," then it's delightful.

**David M. Mouckley**
**Toronto**

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### UNJEWISH TO MUZZLE DISSENT

I am writing on the subject of dissent and criticism within the Canadian Jewish community today. Disagreement with "official" or "mainstream" position has centred on Israeli policy, but there are other areas of oppostion which concren issues right here in Canada.

**Some attitudes toward criticism which have been expressed seem to me disturbing. On a TV program, Prof. I. Abella — certainly a respected and generally "mainstream" voice — compared dissent to "a genie . . . once it gets out of the bottle it is difficult to control."**

**This is a timid and potentially very repressive approach. Who decides whether to cap the bottle?**

**Abella and others have also suggested that some Jews who express criticism are not "real" Jews, or lack the right to speak out as Jews.**

Such attitudes can lead to distressing and contradictory behavior. Last year, when Carlton University's student council tried to deprive Jewish students of university facilities because of Israeli policy, many Jews objected. Yet, recently, a Jewish student delegation at the U of T argued against the right of a Palestinian spokesman to appear at a university debate.

In my own experience, The Canadian Jewish News last year ran a column by Rabbi Gunther Plaut critical of my published views on the invasion of Lebanon. Though I felt Rabbi Plaut misrepresented my position, his column was thoughtful and serious, and I wrote back to continue the discussion.

The CJN declined to print my reply, and in a letter, its lawyer, Donald Carr, said it felt no obligation to do so. Yet Donald Carr himself has complained publicly that general press coverage of Israel in Lebanon has not shown balance between differing views.

Surely the Jewish community cannot complain of unbalanced coverage elsewhere and deny a reasonable hearing to different opinions in its own organs and institutions.

In this respect I welcome the invitation by The CJN to submit another letter to its pages.

**There is a further, particularly Jewish, aspect to this matter. The Jewish tradition has always thrived on the fertile confrontation of opposing views — from the anti-establishment polemics of the prophets, through the vigorous debates between schools in Talmudic times, to the rich intellectual conflicts of our own Canadian Jewish past. Muzzling opposition in the name of a "mainstream" consensus is, I daresay, un-Jewish.**

This does not mean dissent is easy to live with. Harsh words may be spoken and discomfort incurred, but this is preferable to one view suppressing others; and the resulting vitality makes it all worthwhile, it seems to me.

In this regard, I fear we are worse off here in Canada than in Jewish communities elsewhere. There is more debate in the U.S., far more in Europe, and most of all among Jews in Israel, where a quite healthy atmosphere of dissent and debate exists.

I write this letter in the hope of contributing to the establishment of such an atmosphere here as well.

**Rick Salutin**
**Toronto**

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### EDITORIAL DISGUSTS HIM

Your Dec. 1 editorial, headed "Jungle Law," was most disgusting.

You falsely state that attorney Edward Greenspan is trying to encourage private citizens "to take the law into their own hands" against suspected Nazis, which you call "a precipitious move into the laws of the jungle."

Greenspan is advocating peaceful demonstrations, free speech, and media publicity revealing the true facts. This activity is completely legal and guaranteed under Canadian law.

I speak as one who has had more than 100 relatives murdered by Nazi war criminals in Kielce, Poland. There are indeed thousands of Canadian citizens who have had close relatives murdered by these named and known Nazis.

**Dr. M. Sazant**
**Toronto**

# No guarantees for Arafat

**[Cont'd. from page 1]**

hak Shamir asked the United Nations to cancel plans to escort Arafat and his followers out of Tripoli under the UN flag. But Javier Perez de Cuellar, the secretary-general, rejected the plea.

Ariel Sharon, the ex-defence minister, said that Arafat should not be permitted to leave Tripoli alive. Whether Israel will attempt to intercept him is debatable, however. Observers do not believe that Israel will actually attack a UN convoy carrying him and his band.

**Elsewhere in Lebanon, one Israeli soldier was killed when a remote control bomb was detonated as his patrol passed by on a road south of Sidon. Near the Zahrani River, an Israeli patrol was fired on. There were no casualties.**

Syria, in the wake of shooting down two U.S. combat aircraft, downed two Israeli drones, or unmanned reconnaissance planes, over Lebanon's Bekaa Valley and in southern Syria.

Israel uses drones to test Syria's air defences.

The Syrians were holding one American pilot and saying he would not be returned to the U.S. until "after the war." A second pilot died of his wounds and his remains were handed over to the U.S. embassy in Damascus.

Secretary of State Shultz said that the air strike against Syrian positions in central Lebanon was "an isolated incident." But Jeane Kirkpatrick, echoing a remark made earlier by President Ronald Reagan, warned Syria that any future attacks against U.S. forces would be met by "an appropriate response of self-defence."

Last week, the U.S. Marines, having been fired on by Druze or Shiite militias, responded by hitting the attackers with anti-tank missiles, destroying several bunkers.

Amidst this violence, the Lebanese army fought Druze and Shiites as well, shattering the so-called ceasefire.

## *Kohl plans visit to Israel; will discuss sale to Saudis*

**JERUSALEM [JTA] — Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany will visit Israel Jan. 23-27, it was announced here. He was to have come late last summer but postponed his trip because of the resignation of Premier Menachem Begin.**

**Kohl will be meeting with Premier Yitzhak Shamir. Sources here said the issue likely to dominate their discussion will be the Bonn government's plans to sell large amounts of advanced weaponry to Saudi Arabia.**

**Last week, Deputy Foreign Minister Yehuda Ben-Meir, acting on Shamir's instructions, summoned the German ambassador, Niels Hansen, to deliver a stiff complaint from Israel on the matter.**

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*My father kept eagle eye on clock*

# Short Friday becomes psychological obsession

By
J. B. SALSBERG

I don't know about you, but when we reach the month of December my eyes become riveted to the Jewish wall calendar in my home. It tells, with unfailing accuracy, when to light the Sabbath candles on each Friday afternoon of the month, as it does every other month of the year.

J. B. Salsberg

But, whereas I evince little interest in the calendar's candlelighting instructions for the rest of the year I do keep my eyes glued to the calendar practically every day of every week in the month of December. It has long ago become a sort of psychological obsession from which I cannot escape. I'm waiting for "short Friday" with the sweet impatience of a lover who waits for his beloved.

True, that the candlelighting time varies only by a minute or two a week at this time of the year, but to me the difference is crucial because the Friday when the candles are lit earlier than on any other Friday of the year means that we have reached the great divide and that from then on the days will begin to lengthen and spring cannot be far behind.

I believe psychological influence on the vast majority of our people during the millennia of Yiddish-speaking Jews. (Indeed, in "the old country" an especially short person would be referred to jocularly as "a kurtzer Freitik" and a married couple who were a union of a very short and a very tall partner would be called, behind their backs of course, as "der kurtzer Freitik and Shabbes hagodel," since the Sabbath before Pesach was called the "great" Shabbes.)

But let's get back to "der kurtzer Freitik."

**In Lagov, the shtetl where I was born, the short Friday started on Thursday. It was so because what with so little time left to do all the necessary Sabbath preparations the mothers and grandmothers actually had to begin the preparations the day before. They usually stayed up late on Thursday to begin the task and they also rose before daybreak on that short Friday to commence their cooking, baking, etc., for the Shabbes that was, literally, knocking at the door.**

On that shortest of all Fridays the schools were as good as closed, many craftsmen (tailors, cobblers, etc.) were engaged only in cleaning up things so that their houses be ready for Shabbes.

The community bathhouse (shvitz and mikveh) opened around noon and before you could pour a "shefele" (bucket) of cold water over the thoroughly steamed body one had to respond to the cry of the shamess in the town's square: "In sheel (Polish accent) arein!"

As for the Toronto of the pre-World War I period, der Kurtzer Freitik was no less hectic . . . at least in Orthodox homes. In our home it was doubly so. The Sabbath preparations were well advanced on Thursday night.

My mother was up earlier on that pipsqueak of a Friday than on any other Friday of the year.

My father, unlike his usual self, kept an eagle eye on the clock to make certain that the kitchen ceased all its activities reasonably before candlelighting time. And, oh, the shutting down of the coal stoves (there were no other), for the entire Shabbes, long before candlelighting! That last of all the preparations often caused life and death confrontations.

As every old-timer knows, burning hard coal emits dangerous gas fumes until the blue gas flames are replaced by a red, pleasant glow. At the sign of the clock my father would turn the "damper" of the stovepipe shut regardless of the gas emissions of the burning coal. My mother would appeal for more time for the gas stage to be completed.

But father would not relent. "It's Shabbes," he would declare, and that was that.

But the children may be gassed by the coal fumes, she pleaded.

Then let's open the front and back doors so the fumes are blown out of the house.

My mother appealed again: "It's mid-winter and the house will become too cold."

It won't, said my father, whose relations with my mother were otherwise as close to ideal as I have seen anywhere and he would not, in this instance, compromise for one extra minute. It was, according to the calendar, Shabbes, and that meant the final tampering with the stove.

**I recall many a mid-winter Friday when at least a minyan of our equally observant neighbors [males only, of course] would gather in our small house on Cecil St., to engage in the "kabalat Shabbes service" since their respective synagogues or shtiblech were in the Dundas-Chestnut St. area — too far to walk to on the cold and snowy late afternoons of the short Friday period.**

**On one such kurtzer Freitik that I recall the coal gas fumes were so strong that the service was conducted while cold blasts of wind blew into the house from the opened front and back doors to save the minyan from the danger of asphyxiation.**

I also recall an occasion when I was permitted to go out of the house and to ask a non-Jewish pedestrian to please come into the house to close the damper that had been left open. After the young man had helped us I went out of my way to thank him and to explain why we cannot control the stoves on shabbes.

"Oh," he said to me as we reached the street, "I understand and am glad to help out since I'm Jewish myself."

Needless to say that I almost fainted upon hearing those words from one whom I thought was a good Christian samaritan.

Well, my friends, last Friday was der kurtzer Freitik according to my Jewish wall calendar and it evoked many memories. But, from now on the Fridays will become longer, candlelighting will move forward and spring will be on its way. Shabbat Shalom to all of you. (But don't touch the damper.)

*Outreach program established*

# *Mixed marriage partners target of UAHC group*

**NEW YORK** —

A permanent "Commission on Reform Jewish Outreach" has been set up by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations to encourage the non-Jewish partners in mixed marriages and their children, along with the "unchurched," to convert to Judaism.

Action to form the commission was taken at the recent biennial assembly of the Union held in Houston.

According to Union officials, one-third of all U.S. Jews today marry outside the faith.

The UAHC is composed of 770 Reform synagogues in the U.S. and Canada, with a membership of 1.25 million. For the past four years a joint task force of the UAHC and the Central Conference of American Rabbis has tested the use of books, study guides, films, introduction-to-Judaism courses, weekend discussions and other approaches to help non-Jews convert to the Jewish faith.

At its convention, the UAHC acted to expand the program and make it a permanent activity of Reform Judaism in association with the CCAR.

David W. Belin, a Des Moines, Iowa lawyer who was named commission chairman, reported that under the aegis of the new commission, "outreach" coordinators will be assigned to all 13 UAHC regional offices "to insure that this program becomes a part of every Reform congregation."

Lydia Kukoff of Los Angeles, author of Choosing Judaism and herself a convert, will serve as director of the new commission, with Rabbi Sanford Seltzer of Boston as co-director.

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, UAHC president who first proposed an outreach program in a speech in Houston in 1978, hailed what he called "this historic decision to institutionalize our program of outreach to the unaffiliated and to make the effort a formal part of the national program of Reform Judaism."

"Judaism does not claim that one has to be Jewish to communicate with God or receive God's blessings," David Belin said. "At the same time, there is a strong Jewish tradition affirming the concept of seeking to bring others into the Jewish religion.

**"In letting the world know there are no barriers to entry into Judaism," he added, "we will reject the aggressive approach such as other groups practice on street corners or in airport lobbies. We will avoid the evangelical approach and will seek to attract only those not affiliated with other religions."**

Belin said the new commission would seek to reach five main groups:

(1) Non-Jewish partners in interfaith marriages — through programs encouraging them to raise their children as Jews and to choose Judaism as their own personal faith.

(2) Children of mixed marriages — through programs of Jewish education that will encourage them to become Jews and take part in Jewish communal life.

(3) People who seek information about Judaism — through more and more readily-available introduction-to-Judaism courses and conversion programs.

(4) "Jews-by-choice," who have already converted to Judaism — through programs designed to win them "full acceptance in the synagogue and general Jewish community."

(5) The general public — through programs to impart the message that "Judaism is a living, meaningful, spiritual religion that welcomes all who wish to embrace it."

There will be no programs directed toward adherents of other faiths, Belin said.

In its final report, presented to the UAHC convention, the joint UAHC-CCAR task force said in part:

"A program of Reform Jewish outreach will have important impact on the demographic trends within the American Jewish community and could greatly improve the ability of that community to maintain its present proportionate population.

**"However, what is important is not just the number of Jews or their contributions to society. Rather, the central benefit of Reform Jewish outreach is what it means for the individual who is born Jewish or who chooses to become a Jew. That benefit is the impact of Judaism on the life of the individual in terms of learning and worship and in terms of the values and deeds by which men and women conduct their lives."**

"Ultimately, the report continues "the goal of any religion, and particularly the goal of Judaism, is to be concerned about people and their needs and to help people reach maximum fulfilment. This is the frame of reference within which Jewish outreach seeks to make a major contribution to Jews and non-Jews who are married to one another, to the children of those marriages, to people who are interested in learning more about Judaism, to people who have recently converted to Judaism, and to those without a religious preference who may want to consider Judaism as one of the alternatives to make their lives more meaningful."

## Cemetery desecrated

**PARIS [JTA]** —

The Jewish cemetery of Bischeim, near Strasbourg, was desecrated recently. Tombstones were overturned and inscriptions painted over.

The city's rabbi, Claude Lederer, said vandals and not anti-semites might be responsible.

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# Organizations and People

## What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

### HOLIDAY DEADLINES

**Since The CJN office will be closed Friday, Dec. 23, Monday, Dec. 26, and Friday, Dec. 30, the deadlines for both the Dec. 29 and Jan. 5 issues will be moved forward. The deadline for material for the Dec. 29 issue is Monday, Dec. 19, at noon. Miriam Chinsky will be at this desk to receive calls for that issue on Friday, Dec. 16, all day and Monday, Dec. 19, till noon. The deadline for the Jan. 5 issue is Tuesday, Dec. 27, at noon. Calls will be received for that issue on Thursday, Dec. 22, all day and Tuesday, Dec. 27, till noon.**

### TV COVERAGE OF ISRAEL

A panel discussion on TV coverage of Israel and the Arab states is being sponsored by B'nai Torah Synagogue, 465 Patricia Ave. (at Bathurst) on Sunday; Dec. 18, at 8 p.m. The program features a film, produced by Americans for a Safe Israel, entitled NBC in Lebanon: A Study of Media Misrepresentation.

Panelists include **Yoram Hamizrachi**, Yediot Achronot correspondent in Canada; **Peter Silverman** of CITY-TV, and **Michael Chernack**, director of communications, Canada-Israel Committee.

The public is welcome. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

### FAMILY SERVICE

On Saturday, Dec. 17, the Beth Tzedec junior congregation will be holding its fourth family service of the season. The members of the junior congregation, who are 8-13 years old, meet every week for Shabbat services under the leadership of **Jacob Israeli**. The children lead the services, and at family services they have a chance to sit with their parents and demonstrate their ability to lead the services.

In addition, the members of the weekly Torah Reading Club, which is led by **Jonathan Shiff**, will be chanting the Torah portions.

For more information about the family service or the junior congregation, call the Beth Tzedec youth office at 787-0381.

### CITY OF DAVID EXCAVATIONS

Archeologist **Yigal Shiloh**, director of the City of David digs in Jerusalem, will give a lecture and slide presentation about the City of David excavations on Saturday, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, co-sponsored by Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University and the Society for Mediterranean Studies. Dr. Shiloh is the director of the Institute of Archeology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

**Yigal Shiloh**

Admission Saturday evenings is $1 and refreshments will be served.

On Dec. 16, Shiloh will address a meeting of Canadian Friends Young Leadership Division.

### DISSENT IN THE COMMUNITY

On Sunday, Dec. 18, Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Adult Education Committee is presenting a symposium, Dissent in the Jewish Community, with panelists **Max Goody** and **Mel Shipman**. The time is 8.15 p.m.

### NEW ORT CHAPTER

The new ORT chapter formed in the Yonge-Eglinton area for young women 25-35 years of age, is holding its opening meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 8 p.m. Plan to attend this exciting evening. For details, contact **Marcy** at 787-0297.

### EVERY KID'S A STAR

The Canadian premiere of Every Kid's a Star, starring **Bob Schneider** with a cast of 11 kids, opens at the Leah Posluns Theatre, Sunday, Dec. 18, for a run through to Dec. 22. This delightful musical, directed by Dora Mavor Moore Award winner **Joel Greenberg**, is pure entertainment for the whole family.

There will be two shows daily, one at 3 p.m. and the second at 7.30. Tickets are $8.50 for adults and $5.50 for children under 12. For information regarding tickets, call the box office at 630-6752 or any BASS outlet.

### THE MODZITER REBBE

The Modziter rebbe, **Rabbi Shmuel Eliyahu Taub**, will be spending this coming Shabbat, Dec. 17, in Toronto. Accompanying him will be his son **Israel Don**, the well known baal menagen, **Ben Zion Shenker** and a number of chassidim from Israel. Friday night there will be a tish at Agudat Israel Synagogue, 129 McGillivray Ave. at 8 p.m. On Saturday evening there will be a melaveh malka at the synagogue at 8. The public is invited.

### A CORRECTION

Please note a correction regarding the photograph of the dedication of the youth centre in Hod Hasharon, Israel, which appeared on page 12 of the Dec. 8 issue. The centre is sponsored by the Toronto Sunnyside Lodge 449 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and co-sponsored by the Noar Haoved program of Histadrut. **Nat Greenspan** is chairman of the lodge's welfare committee and **Harry Mandelbaum**, who attended the dedication in Israel with his wife, is a member of that committee.

### EULOGIES TO THE GREAT

Eulogies to the Great, a TV production of Expressions in Poetry, produced and hosted by **Ethel Lawton**, has been aired on Newton Cable TV and will go on simulcast city-wide Channel 10 on Dec. 23 at 10 p.m. Among those eulogized are **Albert Einstein, Winston Churchill, William Blake** and **Robert Burns** (read in the Scottish vernacular by guest poet **Hugh Ruddem**). **Steve Jacobs** is program director.

## AMAL SCHOLARSHIPS

**Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park donated a number of scholarships to the Amal schools in Israel in memory of the late Max Grafstein. Receiving the plaque in his father's honor is David Grafstein [second from left] with the presentation being made by Hy Fogelman [left], executive director of Amal, and David Geist, president of Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park. Seated at the table next to Mr. Geist are Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Marmurek. Mr. Marmurek is vice-president of Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park. [H. Ludz photo]**

### BAR/BAT MITZVAH TWINNINGS

Those interested in the bar bat mitzvah twinnings of their son or daughter with a child in the Soviet Union should call **Joyce Eklove** of the Committee for Soviet Jewry. Her number is 782-9039. Or contact the committee at 4600 Bathurst St., Willowdale, M2R 3V2, telephone 635-2883. Out-of-towners can also be accommodated.

### HILLEL STUDENTS, U OF T

Attention University of Toronto Hillel alumni! The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation is sponsoring a reception at Hart House for Hillel alumni. Guests will include prestigious previous Hillel members. The reception date and time are to be announced.

The Lower East Side Cafe is closed for the remainder of the fall semester. It will reopen Monday, Jan. 2. However, Hillel House and office will be open throughout December on shorter hours. Coffee, tea, pastries and sandwiches can be purchased from the office.

For information, contact Betty at Hillel at 923-9861.

### PIONEER WOMEN THORNHILL

Yamit Chapter of Pioneer Women meets on Monday, Dec. 19, at 8 p.m. at 230 Mullen Dr. in Thornhill. The program portion will be presented by **Sam Kravitz** of R & K Jewelers, who will explain how diamonds and gold are processed from raw materials to finished products. For information, call the hostess, **Aviva Kochan**, at 881-2680, or the PW office at 636-5425.

Aliza Chapter meets next on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 8.15 p.m. at 586 York Hill Blvd. Guest speaker **Barbara Rosen** of the Wagman Centre fitness and health department will discuss How To Fit Exercise Into Your Lifestyle. A fitness break is included so wear something comfortable. For information, call hostess **Carla Ulpian** at 731-3648 or the PW office.

### ABOUT IMMIGRATION LAWS

At the Beth Sholom Brotherhood Breakfast Club meeting on Sunday, Dec. 18, Toronto lawyer **Mendel Green** will talk about Canada's Changing Immigration Laws. Services begin at 9.15 and breakfast is at 10. Club chairman is **Alderman Ben Nobleman. Morris King** is co-chairman and **Sam Federman** and **Percy Dolgin** are religious chairmen.

### COMPUTER COURSES

Computers are here to stay! Why not get to know them better and find out what they can do for you.

The PACE department, Koffler Centre of the Arts, is offering three 19-session courses in January. Micro-Computer Programming for Total Beginners will run Mondays and Wednesdays from 8-10 p.m., starting Jan. 9 or 11, and Micro-Computer Programming-Intermediate Level starts Thursday, Jan. 12, from 8-10 p.m. Super-Pet computers (64K) will be used and a limited enrolment of two students per computer will insure "hands on" experience.

Classes will take place at the Community Hebrew Academy (CHAT), 200 Wilmington Ave., with registration at the JCC northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St. Fees are $90 for JCC members and $120 for non-members. For more information, call 636-1880, ext. 243 or 279.

### HAMILTON PIONEER WOMEN

Your Personalized Color Palette will be examined at the next meeting of Nitsan Chapter Hamilton Pioneer Women on Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 8 p.m. at 316 North Shore Blvd. W., Burlington. **Pamela McCoy** of Colors Hess Village will present the program. For information, call hostess **Shifra Alleson** at 523-7805 Burlington, or president **Trish Eppel** at 627-9182 Dundas.

### ULPAN IN TORONTO

The Israel Aliyah Centre reports that it is offering a new service to potential olim — Hebrew language classes (ulpanim) designed specifically with the needs of the oleh or olah in mind.

Tuition is relatively inexpensive and will depend on the number of participants. Only aliya candidates who have opened files with the Israel Aliyah Centre will be eligible for these classes. For information, call 665-7772.

## singles

**Single Parents — Parenting Adolescents** workshop, for both mothers and fathers whether your children live with you or not, is being offered by the Jewish Family & Child Service. This program will address the special needs that the Jewish single parent has while parenting a teen-ager — helping your children cope, dealing with kids' relationships with ex-spouses, being both parents when there is only one, managing your own needs, handling resentment, and many other issues. The workshop will take place at JF&CS, 4600 Bathurst St., starting Tuesday, Jan. 17, for six consecutive weeks from 8-9.30 p.m. The fee is $25 (scholarships available). For more information and to register, call **Estelle Altman** at 638-7800.

On Sunday, Dec. 18, at 8 p.m., **Holy Blossom Temple Singles/Single Parents** group is having a potpourri drop-in night at 8 p.m. at the temple in the foyer. Come and enjoy an evening of music and good times. Bring you own musical instruments. Admission is $3 for members and $4 for non-members. For additional information, call **Elliott** at 638-3548 . . . There is a bowling night every Thursday at 9 p.m. at Bathurst St. Bowlerama. Glencairn and Bathurst. See old friends and meet new ones. Coffee is served afterwards. For information, call **Harold** at 635-0446 after 6 p.m.

The **Jewish Community Singles 25-35** years invite you to join in a Trivial Pursuit games night on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 7.30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St., in the main lounge. For more information, call **Ruth Goodman** at 636-1880, ext. 335 any Wednesday.

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## MAJOR DONATION

**Rabbi David Monson [centre] presents a medallion certificate from the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation to Torontonian Chaim Kuflik in appreciation for his major donation towards an ambulance for the Shaare Zedek Medical Center in Jerusalem. Looking on, with obvious pleasure, is Mr. Kuflik's cousin Fay Lichtblau. [Graphic Artists photo]**

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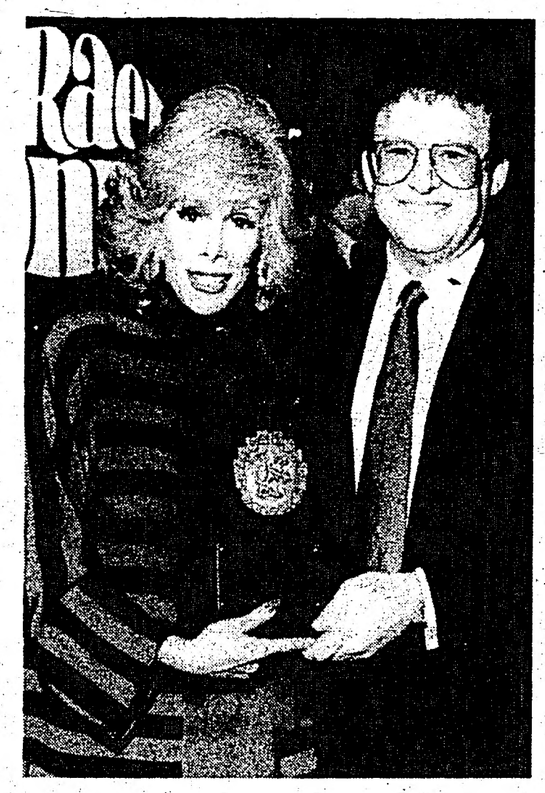

## RIVERS HONORED

**Entertainer Joan Rivers was presented with the Israel Peace Award after her recent performance at the O'Keefe Centre by the State of Israel Bonds New Leadership Division chairman, Stan Grossman. The presentation was made during a cocktail reception attended by about 400 members of Toronto's Jewish community in the downstairs lounge of the O'Keefe. [Dave Whittaker photo]**

## What's New

[Cont'd. from page 12]

On Saturday, Dec. 17, the **Jewish Singles Coffee House Plus** features live entertainment, refreshments, use of the gym and locker room at the JCC northern branch. Fitness class is from 8.45-9.30 p.m., free swim from 8.45-9.45 and the coffee house from 10-11.30. Fee is $2 for JCC and North-East Jewish Single Parents Group and $3 for non-members. Please bring lock and towel.

**Total Living Singles** [40 +] general meeting takes place on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 8 p.m. at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, Kadima Room. Program will include professional ballroom dance instruction by **Alexander**. Also, there will be the free membership draw for members only. This will be a fun evening. Everyone is welcome. Admission is $1 for members and $2 for non-members.

**Jewish Singles Project Connect's** telephone line connects Jewish singles with all kinds of single information, referrals and details of activities and groups. Call Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-9 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 1 p..m. The numbers are 731-4600 and 731-4601.

**Jewish Singles Travel Registry** invites members and non-members to attend the first event of 1984 — a mini-survival course in French on Jan. 25 and a mini-Spanish course on Feb. 1. This is a fun way to meet other single people. The cost is $4 for members for each session and $6 for non-members. Please reserve because of limited space. Call **Elaine Bloom** at 499-1584 or write to 17 Castlebury Cres., Willowdale M2H 1W7.

**North-East Jewish Single Parents Group** has arranged a family movie day for Sunday, Dec. 18, from 2-4 p.m. at Seneca Village Community Centre, 1700 Finch Ave. E. The film, Heidi's Song, is a full-length animated feature from Walt Disney studios. Crafts and refreshments will also be provided. Charge is $1 for members and $2 for non-members. For further information, call **Susan Levine** at the NE office at 889-0813 . . . The general meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 21, will feature astrologer **Carol Ann Keenan**, who will give an informative talk on What Astrology Can Do For You — Astrology As A Psychological Tool. The time is 8 p.m. at Hillcrest Public Library, 5801 Leslie St. The charge is $2 for members and $3 for non-members. For information, call Susan Levine.

**Re-Connect**, a life skills group for recently separated and divorced Jewish women under 55, will begin a series of six consecutive sessions on Tuesday, Feb. 14. For more information, call 731-4600.

A new book discussion club is being organized for Jewish singles, starting in the new year, to meet on a monthly basis. Ages 25-45 are welcome. Enrolment is limited. Tentative schedule includes **George Orwell's** 1984 and 1984 Revisited. Call **Jerry Lerman** at 787-4352 after 6 p.m. for information.

**Stan Glass Social and Travel Association** for singles of all ages has planned a social and travel evening with Quebec City and Atlantic City themes. On Monday, Dec. 19, at 8 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre banquet hall, 4169 Bathurst St. (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard), **Gigi Estragadinho** of Travelway Tours will introduce new and exciting tours to both cities. Presentation will include film and slide presentations of Quebec City, highlighting the Quebec Winter Carnival, and of Atlantic City. There will be refreshments and prizes. Admission is free for members and $3 for non-members. For trip reservations, membership and information about the association, contact Stan Glass at 638-0747 or 593-0600.

Sunday, Dec. 18, is Chai Day for the **Beth Tikvah Chai Singles** group (35-55), and at the meeting being held that evening at 8 in the lower assembly hall of the synagogue, there will be a surprise as well as a talk by guest speaker **Prof. Barry Olshen** of York University on the topic, Look What They've Done To Our Book.

**Kalanit Chapter Pioneer Women** meets next on Thursday, Dec. 22, at 8 p.m. at 11 Red Robinway (just east of Branson Hospital). A program by Color Me Beautiful will follow the business portion of the meeting. For information, call hostess Ilanna Yuditsky **at 636-2868 or the PW office at 636-5425.**

**Beth Tikvah Chai Group** together with **North-East Jewish Single Parents** and the **Holy Blossom Singles/Single Parents** are holding a New Year's Eve party on Dec. 31 entitled The Night Before, complete with a light show, dancing, video movies, food and drink. This is by reservations only. To RSVP call **Fran Dalal** at 886-1567.

The **JCC Singles 35 +** coffee house on Monday, Dec. 19, is in the form of Ye Olde Tyme Movie Nite. That means a golden oldie with popcorn. The time is 8 p.m. at the JCC northern branch, in the senior lounge.

**Solelim [25-40]** invites singles to join in a skating party (roller or ice) on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 2 p.m. Carpool from the Temple Sinai parking lot, 210 Wilson Ave. (east of Bathurst).

## for seniors

**Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club** is holding a holiday season concert featuring songstress **Bluma** singing and playing her guitar and flute on Monday, Dec. 19, at 12.30 p.m. A light lunch will be served. Come and bring your friends . . . **Nat Garnick** will continue his discussion program on Monday, Jan. 9, at 1 p.m. . . . There are still a few openings for the Israel trip. Contact **Lena Sugar** at 789-3213 if you are interested.

**Contact Us**, a division of The Third Floor Community Centre, is running older adult program in north Toronto, starting in January. Programs include Relax With Friends, Historical Perspectives, Health Care For Seniors, and Gentle Yoga. The program is also set up to help seniors plan, co-ordinate and implement their own programs. For times, locations and registration, call the Contact Us office at 483-0774 during office hours, 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

At the **Wagman Centre** — The Role of Women in Jewish Ethics series with **Albert Levovitz** concludes on Monday, Dec. 19, at 2.30 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave.

Attention, ex-Montrealers! Are you interested in meeting other people over 60 who have moved here from Montreal? Get in touch with **Fran Chodak** at 636-1880, ext. 234 (that's the Jewish Community Centre) for information about this exciting new group.

**Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club** regular meeting is set for Monday evening at 7 at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Entertainment will be provided and refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. For further information you can call **Carl Pasternak** at 633-2997.

**Holy Blossom Temple Alumni** meets on Wednesday, Dec. 21, for a piano recital by **Dorothy Glick**. The time is 1.30 p.m. at the temple.

The **Workmen's Circle Social Club [60 +]** meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 20, features lunch and entertainment. It takes place at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. For information, contact **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

The Monday, Dec. 19, program of **Club Chaverim**, the North-East Jewish seniors group, presents **Cantor Albert Feldman** in a musical afternoon of Jewish, Hebrew, Latin and English songs while accompanying himself on the accordion. It takes place at 1.30 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. Admission is 50 cents for members and 75 cents for non-members . . . But come out for the morning programs too — oil painting, variety club, physical fitness — and stay on for the afternoon. Bring a dairy lunch or buy a catered lunch (cheese, salads — herring, tuna, egg — fruits, all you can eat for $1) . . . For information, call **Rose Shapiro** at the NE office at 889-0813 . . . And please note that there will be no programs Dec. 26 or Jan. 2. Programs will resume Jan. 9.

**Beth Sholom Seniors** closing meeting is on Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 7 p.m. at the synagogue. There will be entertainment and refreshments. Call **Eve Donsky** if you wish more information.

At the Tuesday, Dec. 20, meeting of **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50,** the Chai Folk Dancers (20 participants), under the direction of **Teme Kernerman**, will perform. The meeting begins at 1.15 p.m. at the synagogue. Everyone is welcome (non-members admission is $1.50). Refreshments and coffee will be served.

### CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, 1003 Steeles Ave. W., is holding a rummage sale of good used clothing, books, records, kitchen articles, toys and more, on Sunday, Dec. 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the centre. Admission is free and it is open to the public.

The Sunday night dance party on Dec. 18, begins at 7.30 p.m. with dancing to the live music of the Creative Band. Admission is $2 for members (be sure to bring your membership card) and $2.50 for non-members.

The Wednesday afternoon social on Dec. 21, features the film The Orchestra. The time is 1.15 p.m. There is no admission charge for members. Non-members are welcome at a nominal charge of $1.

## at the jcc

The Jewish Community Centre 84 winter program book with courses and activities for all ages is now available. There is still time to register for a multitude of programs that begin in January. For more information, pick up a copy of the brochure or call the JCC at 636-1880.

There's still room in the JCC Winter Break Camp for children 4-10 years of age and teens 11-14. Camp runs from Dec. 19-30 and offers swim, gym, arts and crafts, outings, theme days and much more. Call 636-1880, ext. 221 or 335 for more information.

The JCC and the Toronto Jewish Society for the Hearing Impaired invite you to participate in a fun evening of games and volleyball on Sunday, Dec. 19, at 6 p.m. Bring gym clothes, shoes, towel and lock. Meet in the lobby of the JCC northern branch. For further information, call **Eva Karpati** at 636-1880, ext. 235 (voice) or **Arthur Gunter** at 226-0679 (TTY).

There may be snow on the ground, but now is the time to think about and register your child for one of the many summer day camp programs offered by the JCC northern branch. Why not pick up a detailed brochure, or call 636-1880, ext. 231 for information.

A reminder that the Israeli folkdance workshop, organized by the dance department of the Koffler Centre of the Arts, will be held on Jan. 7, 8 and 11. Prominent Israeli folkdance leader **Yaakov Eden** will be the instructor. For details and registration, contact **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 339 or 261.

**At the Bloor branch** — A beauty, health and nutrition workshop, for women only, will be given on Thursday, Dec. 15, from 7.30-9.30 p.m. at the Bloor JCC, 750 Spadina Ave. (corner Bloor), by **Carola Barczak**, nutritionist and expert in the field of health and beauty. Admission is $1 for JCC members and $2 for non-members. Tickets may be obtained at the Bloor JCC. For information, call **Mark Egan** at 924-6211.

**At the North-East branch** — Come celebrate New Year's eve with the North-East Couples Over 40 group at the party the group is having at the Pickle Barrel Restaurant. There will be music, disc jockey, dancing, extensive buffet and a cash bar. Tickets are $50 per couple. For information and reservations, call **Susan Levine** at the NE office at 889-0813.

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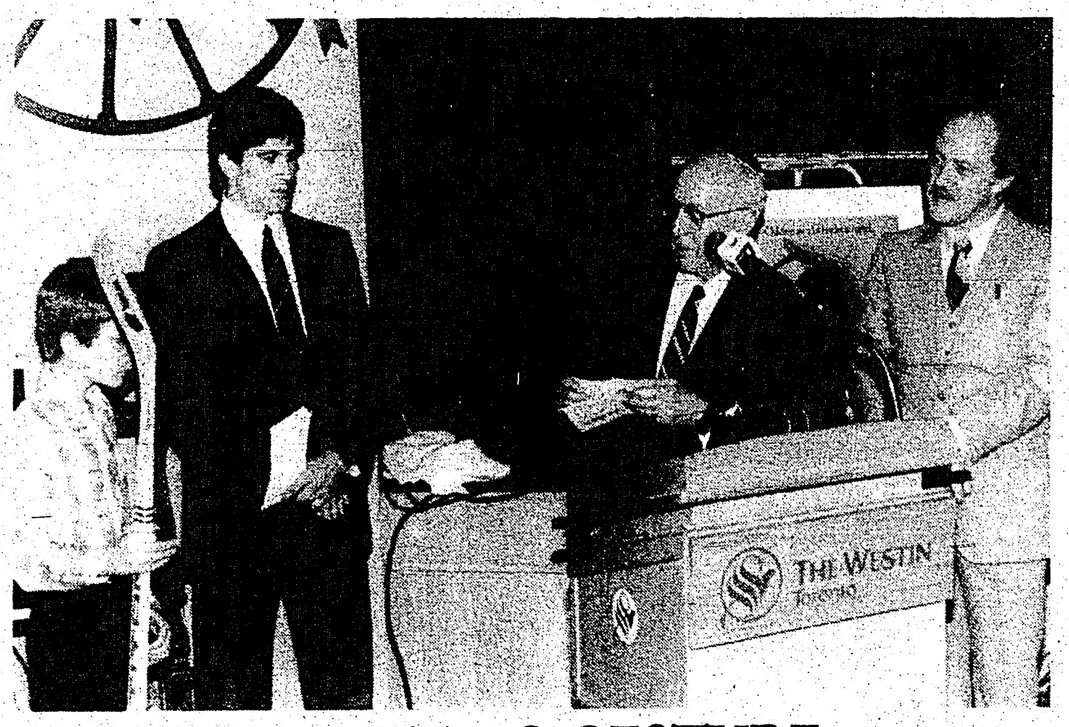
## FAIR DESIGN

**Howard Fox [right] presents the original watercolor he designed for Technion Science Fair 84 to Marshall Cohen, chairman of the third annual science fair which takes place March 28-April 1 at the Ontario Science Centre. Mr. Fox's work will appear on the forthcoming poster.**




## SPORTING GESTURE

**Rabbi David Monson [second from right] of Beth Sholom Synagogue presents a check for $750 to Rick Vaive, captain of the Toronto Maple Leafs and chairman of the CKFM The Westin Hotel's Light A Bulb, Help A Child campaign that kicked off at The Westin Hotel Dec. 1. CKFM on-air personality Don Daynard [far right] hosted the event while Sandy Harrison, an out-patient of the Hospital for Sick Children, looks on. Rabbi Monson conducted the ceremony to mark the first night of Chanukah lighting the menorah in the lobby of the hotel.**

# Organizations and People

*Executive director not in ivory tower*

# JVS job keeps Friedman happy for 35 years

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

**TORONTO** —
In 1948, Milton Friedman came to Toronto from Buffalo to begin a job he figured would last about three years.

Thirty-five years later, Friedman is still at that same job — as executive director of the Jewish Vocational Service.

**"I always knew that if the job got stale I'd leave, but I've yet to find it anything but stimulating. It is endless in terms of challenge," Friedman says.**

When Friedman started at JVS there was a staff of three who concentrated only on job placement.

"I've watched it grow from that small agency, with an annual budget of $15,000, to what it is today. We have a staff of 50 and this year's budget is close to $1 million."

The JVS now has four operating centres — the Placement Centre, Career Counseling Centre, Educational Counseling Centre and Vocational Rehabilitation Centre. The staff sees more than 4,000 persons a year for job and career counseling, psychological testing, educational counseling, remediation services and assessment and work adjustment training.

Friedman, a friendly man whose door is always open, is also very modest about the years of hard work he has put into JVS.

**"I find it very uncomfortable when people attribute the success of the agency to me. I have a wonderful staff and a board of directors who are always behind me," he says.**

He says that he has several ongoing ideas for the agency, and in this period of financial constraint it can be very frustrating.

"Fortunately," says Friedman, "the board is not content to leave all my ideas sitting on a back burner."

Although Friedman does not carry his own caseload, he works actively with his staff and always keeps in touch with what is happening.

"I am by no means in an ivory tower. I answer my own phone and my door is always open. I don't like to parade around like a maharajah," he says.

Friedman says that one of the great rewards of the job is reading the letters of thanks that former clients send to their counselors.

**"People come to us — often in shock because they are out of work for the first time in their life and do not know where to turn. To read these letters from people we have helped to get on the right track is gratifying beyond belief."**

Friedman notes that an important aspect of the job placement service is to help people be realistic about the type of job they are seeking.

"We let job seekers know if their expectations are too high. We help them cope with reality."

Friedman, an avid bridge player, who plays about once or twice a week, has also served on the board of directors of Holy Blossom Temple.

He has served on the boards of the National Association of Jewish Vocational Services and the National Association of Rehabilitation Facilities, and been advisor to the ministry of community and social services in Ontario.

Friedman has authored articles and book reviews which have appeared in professional journals associated with social work and vocational services.

**"Luckily for me I love my profession. I like the tension and the problems. I have not endured 35 years . . . I have enjoyed them.**

**Milton Friedman, right, accepts award for 35 years service from JVS president Michael Steinberg. [Graphic Artists photo]**

**Lawyer Edward Greenspan, centre, shown here with Congregation B'nai Israel president Charles Fruitman, right, and brotherhood chairman Myron Shushan, was guest speaker at a recent synagogue breakfast meeting.**

# *Lawyer guest speaker at breakfast meeting*

**ST. CATHARINES** —
Lawyer Edward Greenspan spoke recently at a breakfast meeting here of the Congregation B'nai Israel.

President Charles Fruitman and Brotherhood chairman Myron Shushan hosted the meeting at which Greenspan spoke on The Role of the Defence Counsel to the more than 150 people representing the Jewish communities of the Niagara Peninsula.

Greenspan's mother was honored at the breakfast.

Seated at the head table were Rabbi Gary Listokin of St. Catharines, Rabbi M. Liberman of Niagara Falls, Henry Muller, president of Congregation B'nai Jacob of Niagara Falls and George Glass, secretary of the Federation of Men's Brotherhoods for Canada.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## About People

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**HE WRITES THE WORDS**

**Martin Kramer**, whose song lyric Memories of Chanukah was performed recently at the North York Civic Centre, had two more songs performed at concerts at the Ontario Science Centre on Wednesday, Dec. 14. The concerts featured Come See the Santa Parade (music by **Helen A. Kramer**) and This is My Home Ontario which was commissioned for Ontario's bicentenniel in 1984 (music by **A. P. Royse**). The performances involved 140 students of Cherokee Public School in North York, led by teacher **Mary Lou Baptie**. If you would like to know more about the songs, call Mr. Kramer at 783-5742.

**OFFICERS OF RABBINIC ALUMNI**

Three Canadians were elected officers of the rabbinic alumni of Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary is New York City.

**Rabbi Henry Hoschander** of Toronto's Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, **Rabbi Peter Hayman** of Congregation Beth Jacob in Calgary, and **Rabbi Jerome Wolicki** of Congregation Beth Ora in St. Laurent, Que., have been re-elected regional vice-presidents of the seminary, an affiliate of Yeshiva University.

The rabbinic alumni consists of 1,800 rabbis who were ordained at the seminary.

**THANK YOU MR. JACOBSON**

Recently we received a letter from one of our readers about a visit he made to Baycrest Terrace where his mother is a resident. He writes that "at that time all residents gathered for a meeting regarding the United Way canvass. During their entrances a man was playing beautiful old time music of different old country medleys on the piano in the corner. Everyone was very pleased and to their surprise the same man was also the speaker for the United Way, talking simultaneously in three languages. . . ."

The pianist-speaker was **Victor Jacobson**, executive director of the Toronto Hebrew Reestablishment Service (G'milath Chasodim), who also doubles as United Way spokesman. Fluent in eight languages, Mr. Jacobson undertakes many speaking engagements for the community fund raising agency and in fact, was at Baycrest's Day Care Centre on another occasion a few weeks ago.

## COMING EVENTS

בית צדק BETH TZEDEC

*TUES., DEC. 20, 1:15 p.m.* - **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50 - FOLK DANCES.** Guest artists: **Chai Folk Dancers** and **Teme Kernerman**, conductor. Everyone welcome. Coffee & refreshments. Non-members $1.50.

*TUES., DEC. 27, 1:15 p.m.* - **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50 - "Visit to the Royal Ontario Museum"** to see: **'Silk Roads — China Ships'**, an exhibition of objects spanning 2,000 years in the history of Trade between East and West. *Note:* We will meet at the Museum (Bloor and Avenue Road area). Please be on time. Cost: $2.50.

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## Maven's, New York New York lead the way

# *Kosher the key for good times on Bathurst St.*

By
LEAH BELFON

**TORONTO —**

It's Saturday night. Shabbes is over early, and you'd like some entertainment to ease you ever so gently into the new week.

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**In the culinary department, New York, New York [3426 Bathurst] offers a mixed bag of delights: deli, old-fashioned Jewish fare and yummy Chinese. Happy hour is from 9 to 12, but the truth is that at New York, New York you can be happy at any hour.**

Actually, the magic starts at 7 p.m. — not just on Saturday, but every night of the week (except Friday, of course). Seven is when resident songster, guitarist and musician extraordinaire Albert Vaknin takes his place in the small, bay-windowed alcove at the front of the restaurant.

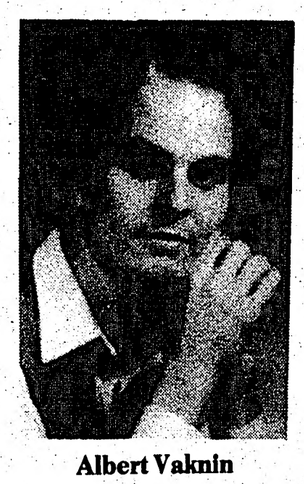
Now I know for sure: This is not the New York, New York I've been used to. These days, lights are low. Candles flicker. The Chinese lanterns are lit up. Starched, white tablecloths prevail. The atmosphere is intimate and relaxed.

Albert Vaknin. Born in Casablanca, reared in Israel. Made recordings. Playedthe New York clubs. In Canada less than two months. Vaknin has an assistant: an electronic drummer.

Noam Eisen

Vaknin's a pro. His instrumentals, many in a minor key, are haunting. They are based on Greek and Turkish melodies. His love for his people and his land comes through in the way he handles Israeli and chassidic songs. He can also sing in Yiddish, Spanish, French or Arabic. But no matter what he sings, his sensitivity and personal warmth show through.

**Maybe your taste leans more to hamburgers and chili dogs? Do hot and spicy chicken wings, lamb kebabs and cookies as big as the span of your hand do anything for you? If so, Maven's [3537 Bathurst] is your place. Here the lights are bright and the atmosphere exuberant.**



Albert Vaknin

At Maven's you don't need a drink to celebrate, though they do serve beer and wine. Most people seem to get high on the french fries. After their third helping even themost stolid over-40s let down their hair and join the party. And a party it is — especially for the young people who have been turning out in droves Saturday nights to hear one of their own, Noam Eisen, 17.

Eisen does many things and does them very well. He sings. He plays the piano and the flute, among other instruments. Israeli music, chassidic songs and easy listening are in his repertoire. He is also an accomplished classical pianist who studies at the Royal Conservatory of Music when he isn't attending high school.

In his spare time, Eisen entertains at weddings, bar mitzvahs and the like with his group, the Nagila Orchestra. But these Saturday nights, from 10 till 1 a.m., Eisen is the reigning king of Maven's. The crowd loves him and he loves them. They hate it when he takes a break — even if he stands up just to get a coffee.

Eisen smiles a lot and the smile is real. "I love music and I love people," he says. "I enjoy making them happy."

**Saturday night on Bathurst St. It's a lovely way to spend an evening. New York, New York or Maven's — the choice is yours. But why not choose both?**

# TUUW launches drive for half-price TTC fares

**TORONTO —**

The Toronto Union of Unemployed Workers (TUUW) has launched a half-price TTC fare campaign for the unemployed, welfare recipients and people enrolled in full-time job-training courses.

Kirk Roberts, spokesman for the TUUW, said the public awareness campaign and petition being carried out has received support from union locals, politicians, community and religious groups.

# UJA campaign ends with salute to workers

**TORONTO —**

**The United Jewish Appeal officially closed its 1984 campaign activities this week with a salute to those most directly responsible for its success — the UJA leadership and volunteer campaigners.**

**A crowd of more than 500 campaigners turned out for the closing event at Beth Tzedec Synagogue where they were entertained by Israeli film star Mike Burstyn and commended for their hard work by UJA co-chairmen Lionel Schipper and Issy Sharp.**

**Final 1984 totals won't be completely processed until after Jan. 1, but according to Campaign Director Steve Ain, all indicators point to the campaign as the most successful peacetime fund raising yet in the Toronto Jewish community.**

**Ain said the campaign made substantial inroads into areas vital not only to the 84 drive but also to the success of future UJA efforts. These include a record number of new and major gifts, and an all-time high in new faces to UJA voluntarism within the community.**

**Ain noted that the aggregate number of campaigners passed the 2,000-mark for the first time in local history.**

**Activities for the closing evening were presided over by Adrienne Offman, who chairs both the UJA campaign executive and Project Renewal steering committee.**

**In addition to remarks by the campaign chairmen, also speaking during the evening were Dr. Gerald Halbert, president of United Jewish Appeal of Metropolitan Toronto and twice a campaign chairman, and UJA Women's Division chairman, Gella Rothstein.**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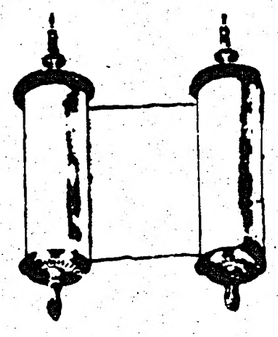


## sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

**Parshat Vayechi/Asarah b'Tevet**

There comes a time when everyone has to make a cheshbon hanefesh, a soul search. We don't live forever.

The last 20 years of his life, Reb Mendel of Kotzk locked himself in his room and refused to meet with any one except a handful of disciples. Thousands waited for him, but to no avail.

When people murmured about his behavior, Reb Zev Volf of Strikov, his brilliant student, explained: "It says that when Father Jacob grew old, he had trouble seeing — "V'aynay Yisrael kavdu mee'zoken. . . And the eyes of Israel were dim for age. . . .

"Now is it possible that Jacob, who was one of the four corners in the heavenly chariot should have eyes that are dim? Would G-d allow that? But the Targum translates 'kavdu' as 'yakru' — precious. Jacob's eyes had become so sanctified that he could not stand to see anymore the vanity of the world. So also with our rebbe!"

* * *

The world is full of vanity — but we must not lose our spark of holiness.

**Came the time when Jacob was to pass away. He summoned Joseph his son, the prime minister of Egypt, and his two grandchildren, Ephraim and Menashe.**

**Jacob raised himself on his bed and declared: "I had not thought to see thy face; and, lo, G-d has let me see thy children as well!"**

What? Did Jacob give up completely when Joseph was missing? Didn't he have a shred of hope, confidence in G-d's kindness?

But Jacob meant something else. "I heard you were in Egypt, a land known for its immorality. I thought I would see you physically, but I would not see the face of a Jew. I would see an Egyptian face, an assimilated face. But now I see that you have stayed a Jew, and your children also. The shine is still there."

In such a world that we live in, a Jew has to watch his face very carefully. On the face must be read sanctity, modesty, kindness, honesty, fear of Heaven. On the eyes must be seen a gaze that looks beyond today — into eternity. The Shechinah must hover over the face, the tzuras E-lokim. . . .

* * *

A Jew mustn't sell himself short. Reb David of Tolneh used to say that a person shouldn't be overly modest.

"When I took my father's place as a rebbe, a chassid came to me with a large pidyon (a "redemption" gift — later distributed to the poor. . . .)

" 'Such a large sum,' I argued. 'But that is how much I used to give your sainted father.' he answered. 'How can you compare me to my father,' I said humbly. 'He was a great tzadik, holy and pure. But what am I?'

" 'Oh, is that so?' said the man, 'I thought you were as good a man as he was.' He reached over and took back the money. After that I learned to be quiet."

Shabbat Shalom.

## Jewish Book Fair in London

# *Simple fare makes dining a delight*

By
JAMES PASTERNAK
And
EDITH KATZ

LONDON — The London Jewish community held its 5th annual Jewish Book Fair recently at the London Jewish Community Centre.

**In addition to the book display and sale, the Third Annual Children's Quiz, a competition between students from the Hebrew Day School, the Talmud Torah and the Afternoon Hebrew School, was held.**

Co-organizers Esther Borer and Judy Weinstein, with the help of several assistants, prepared an impressive food table of home-made sandwichs, muffins, fruit and cookies.

Highlight of this year's fair was an afternoon cooking workshop. The demonstration was conducted by Montrealer Norene Gilletz, author of The Pleasures of Your Processor. Gilletz owns her own publishing company which also handles the distribution of the books printed.

"I love to teach," said Gilletz. "I think it is often more help to teach people to cook than provide food by catering."

Her best advice is centred on simplicity. "I like things that are fast and use fresh rather than prepared ingredients."

Special activities for pre-schoolers were available in the afternoon and Jennifer Day, a librarian at the London Children's Library, provided the storytelling.

Older children participated in an arts and crafts competition in addition to seeing the movie which followed.

Esther Borer

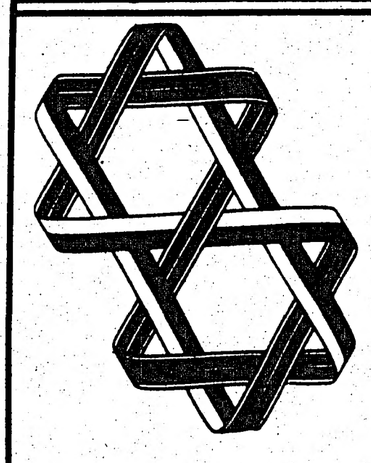
Norene Gilletz

**An information table explaining the plight of prisoner of conscience Alexander Paritsky and his family was set up and visitors to the Fair were encouraged to write their local members of Parliament and the minister of external affairs expressing concern over Paritsky's torment. He is presently imprisoned in Soviet Russia for his religious and social beliefs.**

The book display and sale covered a wide range of subjects. Standard topics were represented such as Jewish history, practices of Judaism, humor, cooking, fiction, the Holocaust, religion and children's literature.

There were also books on Jewish feminism, social issues and changing family life. Included was a group of books related to travel and history in the Middle East and Israel.

Proceeds from the sale will be used for the centre's program fund which is expanding due to the anticipated opening of the new community centre building.



## *UJA Campaign Countdown*

**WEEK 16**

This is it fellow campaigners! The official closing of the 1984 campaign, as those who attended our special simcha last night at Beth Tzedec Synagogue already know.

And of course, this is our final column for the year, so we'll name names while extending our gratitude to the devoted canvassers and workers in every division, who came through so beautifully.

Thank you all!

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Right at the start we want to wish **Nat Hurwich** a speedy recovery following the eye surgery he underwent recently. There's no holding the man down. He came down to UJA headquarters in the morning to conduct business as usual — completing unfinished cards — and left in the afternoon. Talk about commitment!

And we wish to add our congratulations along with Nat's friends and associates, on his election as the new president of the Albert J. Latner Jewish Public Library.

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Wonder why **Drs. Shim Felsen** and **Brian Silver** are smiling a lot these days? No, they haven't discovered the cure for the common cold — but they have co-chaired one of the best ever campaigns in the Physicians' division.

Their final 1984 telethon brought out a strong contingent of veteran canvassers such as: **Ivan Goldman, Joel Kirsh, Gerry Koffman, Harry Krakowsky, Howard Price, Ivan Silver** and **Ron Zuker**.

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Our hats are off to **Harold Malitzky** who is chairing the division which includes teachers in the Hebrew schools. With excellent card coverage, the division total is up 16% over last year.

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The dentists held their final clean-up telethon and on hand doing their stint on the telephones were: **Drs. Hersh Glickman, Allan Freedman, Stan Jacobson, David Burstein** and **Harvey Taub**.

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The Stashiver Young Men's Society and Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a UJA luncheon this coming Sunday, with **Col. Arie Lewin** as guest speaker. Also on the agenda, according to president **Sholom Hershkop** and UJA chairman **Nathan Freedman**, is our new film presentation, **Promises to Keep**.

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A special salute to **Dave Green**, a UJA stalwart for many years, who's been spending a great deal of time at 4600 Bathurst these past few weeks. When Dave leaves the building it's only due to the fact that he's covered every card that's been handed to him. Fund-raising staff people are finding it difficult to keep up with the likes of **Green, Hurwich** and **Ben Samuels** — a superb trio of canvassers.

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The first evening of Women's Division cleanup telethons couldn't have been more miserable weather-wise. A persistent downpour of rain turned to snow, but that didn't deter eight women from joining chairman **Gella Rothstein** in getting the job done. Those who came out were: **Paula Cohen, Fay Gold, Margie Goldhar, Rita Grotsky, Anne Handelman, Franca Kon, Sheila Lancit** and **Ida Lavine.** Not a faint heart among them.

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The Business & Professional Women's Network has made enormous strides in this campaign. With three telethons behind them, the division has chalked up a 70% increase in first-time givers and a 50% increase over last year's contributions.

Canvassers who have helped make the difference for 1984 are: **Bertha Gold, Susan Gordin, Linda Kahn, Glennie Lindenberg, Marlene Lupa, Trudy Shecter, Joan Shnier, Candice Singer, Cindy Smith, Ruth Sommer, Adrienne Tartick** and **Arlene Wolfe.**

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Not to be outdone by the rest of the community, office staff from **Canadian Jewish Congress, Toronto Jewish Congress** as well as **UJA**, held their annual telethon last Wednesday. Yes, we really are ONE! Final totals had not been tallied as this was written, but by noon close to $60,000 was the figure reached.

Nice going!

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As we mentioned earlier, this is the final column for the year. We thank everyone for their invaluable participation and contribution to this campaign effort. We wish we could name each one of you, but **you** know who you are.

See you all next time round.

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## Crosbie takes issue with Trudeau's remarks

# *We shouldn't set a place for PLO at peace table*

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —
**John Crosbie, Opposition finance critic in the House of Commons, denounced the Trudeau government here last week for making statements "sympathetic to the PLO, which in turn refuses to recognize Israel and to renounce the use of terrorist methods."**

The Newfoundland Tory MP, who formerly served as the Progressive Conservative's external affairs critic, told an applauding crowd of 240 at a Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce business lunch that his party disagreed with the Liberal policy, "which, in several respects, goes well beyond" President Ronald Reagan's 1982 peace plan for the Middle East.

"We do not see how the peace process is well served by supporting the establishment of a Palestinian state rather than a homeland for the Palestinian people as envisaged by the American initiative," said Crosbie.

He said the Conservatives "supported the Reagan peace plan and continue to do so, despite the lack of success of that initiative to date" — evidently a reference to the fact that Israel had rejected the plan out of hand.

**Later, in an interview with The Canadian Jewish News, he clarified his remarks.**

**He said he differed with Prime Minister Trudeau's recently reported assertions at a press conference in Kuwait that PLO chairman Yasser Arafat should play a role in peace negotiations.**

"The Palestinian people will be affected by any negotiations for peace, but we don't believe the PLO as a terrorist organization deserves a place at the peace table," he said.

"Though I don't agree with everything the Israelis do, I'm a great rooter for Israel," he told The CJN.

He said he was tremendously impressed by the country when he last visited Israel in 1973 after the Yom Kippur War.

"I intend to make a 6-day visit to Israel in January just to talk to people there and get a better understanding of their problems," he said.

**In his speech, Crosbie, who is being groomed as Canada's finance minister if the Conservatives attain power, called for increased trade with Israel.**

"Israel has traditionally been one of the major export markets for Canada in the Middle East and is the leading non-petroleum exporter to Canada from that region," he said. "The value of 2-way trade between our countries amounted to $165 million in 1982.

"Considering the range of products Israel exports and imports, the high level of technology of its economy and its heavy reliance on external trade, we in Canada should be more involved there."

Crosbie concluded his speech with a quotation from Tennyson's Ulysses, declaring that Canadians and Israelis had in common an unquenchable spirit "to seek, to find" survival in a better world.

**He was presented with a 1976 bottle of Israel's Carmel Cabernet Sauvignon wine and quipped that he hoped to do justice to it.**

Dorothy Shoichet and Nancy Katz

# Women advised to monitor porn

HAMILTON —
Dorothy Shoichet, a past national chairman of ORT, told a meeting of the Adas Israel Sisterhood recently that women should take a closer look at the booming business of soft and hard-core pornography.

**"If brutalizing women and children is men's entertainment, then women had better know about it," she said, pointing out that porn and its producers have moved into the mainstream of society.**

Out of the 10 most popular magazines on newsstands, she said, "six are what are politely called men's entertainment . . . and pretending that it's not there is not going to make it go away."

Its evil, she said, and it degrades and dehumanizes women and children. "We have to stop it."

The Toronto mother of five said pornography is a $5 billion a year business, part of which involves children engaged in sexual acts with adults. "Is this entertainment?"

She said women should stop thinking of regulation of pornography as a form of censorship and start looking at it as a product that can be controlled.

"If you start thinking of pornography as a product, you can regulate it. They regulate drugs, they regulate the food industry, they regulate the speed limit.

**"There are a lot of regulations in a democratic nation. Not enough of us are demanding change, demanding laws to regulate this terrible industry."**

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# Organizations and People

*"Sense of community is a precious commodity"*

# Negev Dinner filled with love for Rothschilds

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —
For more than 1,000 members of the Toronto Jewish community, the recent 1983 Negev Dinner of the Jewish National Fund was an opportunity not only to honor Kurt and Edith Rothschild, but to express their affection for a couple whose activities on behalf of Jews the world over are legendary.

"You can feel the love in the air — it's so obvious that people are here not just to pay respect and honor but to express their love for you both," Alexander Mayers, national president of the JNF, told the audience which filled the Canadian Room of the Royal York Hotel.

**JNF and other community leaders gathered to honor Kurt and Edith Rothschild, centre. Standing, from left, are Nathan O. Hurwich, Lewis J. Moses, Morris B. Kaufman, Col. Jacob Ziskind, Israel consul-general Gideon Saguy, Maj- Gen. David Ofer and Joseph Tanenbaum. Seated, from left, are Ronald Appleby, Sidney Bearg and Alexander Myers.**

Among the institutions and organizations which have benefited from the Rothschilds' efforts are Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi and Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi Women — Emunah, State of Israel Bonds, Shaare Zedek Hospital, Bar-Ilan University, Yeshiva Hakotel in Jersualem, Yeshiva University and the Eitz Chaim Schools — and the Jewish National Fund.

Proceeds from the 1983 Negev Dinner will further the development of the observant community of Tefachot, one of 14 fledgling settlements in Galil Canada, a JNF Canada settlement project in central Galilee.

In presenting the Negev Dinner citation, Morris B. Kaufman summed up the feelings of the audience: "You have blessed us with the boundlessness of your own goodness, by the living of your precepts and by the loving of your fellow man."

In her acceptance speech, Edith Rothschild made it clear that the affection was returned. "I feel very close to every one of you tonight," she said. "The sense of communitiy is a precious commodity.

"I had a pearl necklace that was too long," she recounted, "so I had several pearls removed. They are now in a little box in the back of a drawer. They are still precious, but they are useless — because they are not connected to a whole."

So it is with people, she continued, "and when I am in Israel, I feel I am connected and part of a whole."

**Both Kurt and Edith Rothschild escaped from Germany just before the outbreak of World War II, in time to save their lives, but late enough to have suffered from pre-war Nazi oppression.**

**The experience left them with a deep sense of responsibility to the community, they both said, "being heirs to the six million Jews who perished and being witnesses in particular to the emergence of the third Jewish commonwealth," in Kurt Rothschild's words.**

For their charitable work, he said, "we deserve no honor; it is our task."

In what he called "the credo of an observant Jew," Rothshild stated that "serving God and our fellow man is the purpose of life.

"If I forget thee, O Jerusalem," he quoted from Psalm 137, "may my right hand forget its cunning. . . ." Israel, he said, is "this great bastion of hope in the quest for the future of our people . . . our heritage, our responsibility and our trust."

One of the highlights of the dinner was an audio-visual presentation, A Vision to Share, A Promise to Keep, filmed in the Galilee.

Amidst avacado trees laden with fruit, greenhouses full of flowers for export, and bulldozers opening up roads, young families are shown building a Jewish presence in what has been an area of sparse Jewish population.

"The 14 new communities speak not only of gratitude but of kinship," said the narrator. "Israel's only true and dependable allies are the farsighted and generous community of Jews throughout the world."

Unity provided a theme for several other speakers.

"May we banish from our midst the corrosive influence of those who would tear apart our historic unity," Rabbi Mordechai Ochs of Torah Emeth Synagogue said in his invocation.

**James Kay drew strong applause when he delcared that "there is not now and never has been and never will be a crack in the continued support of world Jewry" for Israel.**

**And the Israeli consul-general, Gideon Saguy, speaking of the recent talks between Premier Yitzhak Shamir and President Reagan of the United States stressed the unity between Israel and its great ally.**

Others honored for the efforts on behalf of the Jewish National Fund were Sidney Bearg, Nathan O. Hurwich and Morris Kaufman.

The dinner took place during Chanukah, and Leonard Rothschild, Kurt and Edith's son, lit the Chanukah candles as Cantor Harold Klein of Shaarei Shomayim led the singing of the traditional hymn, Maoz Tzur. Joseph Tanenbaum, honorary dinner chairman, made Hamotzi, and Rabbi Henry Hoschander of Shaarei Shomayim led the Birkat Hamazon.

Bearg expressed the gratitude of the dinner committee to all of those who had helped to make it a success; Robert R. Hall introduced the head table, and Rabbi David Monson gave the toasts. Ronald Appleby was dinner chairman.

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# Rabbi Stern to head group

TORONTO —
Rabbi Moshe Stern of Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, will head up a new mitzvah awareness committee, according to an announcement from Rabbi Baruch Taub, president of the Vaad Harabonim of Toronto, the Orthodox rabbinical association.

The committee says it plans to publish a series of public service announcements and educational leaflets "to better inform the Jewish community of proper standards of circumcision, family purity, marriage and divorce, Sabbath rituals as well as other observances which are often misrepresented."

The committee also plans a "kosher your home" service whereby a rabbi will assist in the koshering process for interested families.

Rabbi Stern was born and educataed in Montreal. His first pulpit was Knesset Israel Synagogue of Birmingham, Alabama where he founded the Birmingham Jewish day school and taught at the University of Alabama, department of humanities. He came to Toronto in 1980 to assume his current pulpit.

Also serving on the committee are Rabbi Amram Assayag, Petah Tikvah; Rabbi Moshe Lowy, Agudath Israel; Rabbi Mordechai Ochs, Torah Emeth.


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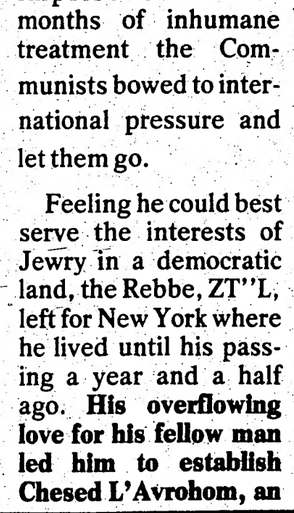
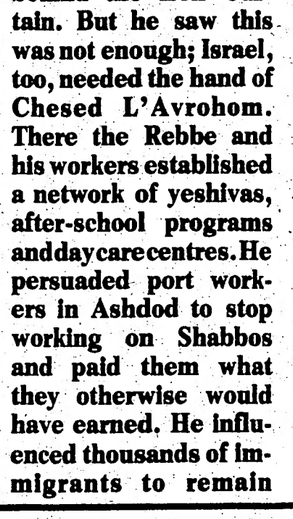
The warmth and compassion for which the Rebbe became famous were in stark contrast to the viciousness of the Communist regime which cracked down hard on religious freedom. To practise Judaism was against the law, and untold numbers of Roumanian Jews were unceremoniously thrown into jail. Some were condemned to the gallows. The Rebbe, ZT''L, risked his life intervening on their behalf, and the majority were saved.



**The past Skulener Rebbe, Rabbi Eliezer Portugal ZT''L, founder of Chesed L'Avrohom.**



**Rabbi Yisrael Portugal, Shlita, the Shulener Rebbe, continues in the footsteps of his father.**

The authorities, however, soon became incensed against him, and together with his son, the present Rebbe, Shlita, he was imprisoned. After months of inhumane treatment the Communists bowed to international pressure and let them go.

Feeling he could best serve the interests of Jewry in a democratic land, the Rebbe, ZT''L, left for New York where he lived until his passing a year and a half ago. **His overflowing love for his fellow man led him to establish Chesed L'Avrohom, an organization devoted to spiritual rescue and material relief.**

**The Rebbe, ZT''L, began sending Jewish books, ritual necessities, food and clothing behind the Iron Curtain. But he saw this was not enough; Israel, too, needed the hand of Chesed L'Avrohom. There the Rebbe and his workers established a network of yeshivas, after-school programs and day care centres. He persuaded port workers in Ashdod to stop working on Shabbos and paid them what they otherwise would have earned. He influenced thousands of immigrants to remain true to the heritage of their fathers all across the land of Israel.**

Today the work of Chesed L'Avrohom continues under the guidance of the present Rebbe, Rabbi Yisroel Portugal. Boys and girls from broken homes, orphans and youngsters in trouble — all are taken in by Chesed L,Avrohom which cares for them just as its founder did a generation ago.

The present Rebbe, whose devotion to others mirrors that of his late father, has taken his inheritance to heart. Since taking over the reins of Chesed L'Avrohom, the Rebbe has not lessened his efforts no matter what, for Jewish lives are at stake. The organization faces a huge deficit, and its commitments increase daily. Those wishing to share in the Rebbe's holy work can contribute to **Chesed L'Avrohom, 81 Bannockburn Ave., Toronto M5M 2M9. Tax-deductible receipts will be issued.**

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# Organizations and People

## Laws on divorce, desertion need changing

# *Rabbi says Judaism must bend with the times*

By
VIVIEN SHARON

**TORONTO —**
Judaism has to bend with the times and acknowledge modern Jewish questions and concerns, said Rabbi Elyse Goldstein, assistant spiritual leader of Holy Blossom Temple, addressing a general meeting of Toronto Hadassah - WIZO last week at Temple Sinai.

**"Where there is a halachic will, there is a halachic way," said Goldstein, who served for three years as rabbi of Temple Beth Or of the Deaf in New York City, and is proficient in sign language.**

She stressed that there are times when Jewish laws must be changed in order to be congruent with the times. This has been done in the past, she said, citing an amendment around 1100 CE regarding the abolition of polygamy. Further, a Jewish law was amended enabling women, as well as men, to hear the reading of the Megillat Esther during Purim.

Goldstein, a graduate of Brandeis University, said there are two areas which desperately need change in Jewish law today. One is with regard to Jewish divorce and the other, desertion.

"According to Jewish law, a woman cannot ask for permission to obtain a get (divorce decree), only unless her husband does. Nor can she remarry until she obtains a get from her husband," said the rabbi, who was ordained from Hebrew Union College and awarded outstanding Young Woman of America in May 1983.

Regarding desertion, she said if a husband deserts his wife, she remains married to him forever. This is particularly a problem in Israel, where men die on the battlefield.

**Goldstein said that a major challenge today is to understand that women have changed during the past 20 years. More than 53% of women in the U.S. are working outside the home, and many of them are single, divorced or childless, she said.**

Rabbi Elyse Goldstein

"Is it ethically correct for only half of the Jewish population to be actively involved in shaping the course of Jewish history?" she asked the more than 300 members in the audience. "Why can women not play a significant role in shaping Jewish history as well?"

It is one thing to ordain women rabbis, a major coup in itself, she confessed. "Yet, it is quite another to hire them."

With regard to the current controversy about women rabbis, Goldstein preferred to abstain.

"After nine years of university and rabbinical school, I would rather express my qualifications in terms of Talmud or the Mideast rather than just talk about 'what it's like being a woman rabbi.' "

Patricia Alpert, Toronto Hadassah-WIZO president, outlined the many projects that their organization supports for women in Israel.

These includes professional guidance counseling services for bereaved families and war widows; laundry clubs for needy Jewish and Arab women; 24 legal advice bureaus; eight women information centres; rest homes; a bride's boutique, and many home care courses for the blind, the handicapped and the hearing and speech impaired.

**Others participating included Pearl Greenbaum, past president; Marlene Brudner, chairman, day care centres and Hadassim; Phyllis Flatt, convention chairman; Taube Zeifman, shopping spree co-chairman; Ilse Seetner, Israel tour guide leader, and Susan Shames and Sandy Posluns, bazaar co-chairmen.**

## *Expensive but safe*

# Hepatitis vaccine working

**TORONTO —**
A new vaccine against serum hepatitis became available a few months ago and is proving "very effective in protecting doctors, nurses and other persons exposed to the disease.

A report on the new vaccine, developed by Merck, Sharp and Dohme, was given to a recent 1-day seminar update on digestive diseases at Mount Sinai Hospital.

"It is expensive, about $150 for a course of treatment, but it is safe and has remarkably few side effects," noted Dr. Alvin Newman, associate professor of medicine, University of Toronto, who organized the seminar.

Medical teams, especially those working in kidney units, run a high risk of developing serum hepatitis, Dr. Newman said. Others at risk include babies born to mothers who are carriers.

The usual method of transmission is through needles used in blood transfusions.

Incidence of the disease in the general population is low, but it is extremely common among male homosexuals.

Although the new vaccine is not effective against all varieties of serum hepatitis, it has proven so in the case of one of the most common, Newman said.

**He added that some people are reluctant to use it because it is made from a serum obtainable from the blood of male homosexuals but the purification process is so effective that there have been no cases of the vaccine causing the sexually - transmitted disease AIDS.**

Serum hepatitis should not be confused with infectious hepatitis which is caused by a virus and is usually a much milder disease, Newman said.

More than 250 doctors, internists and medical researchers from Canada and U.S. attended the seminar, co-sponsored by Mount Sinai Hospital, the University of Toronto and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, with support from Smith, Kline and French.

One of the guest lecturers, Dr. Jules Dienstag, an associate professor at Harvard Medical School, spoke of the need for emergency ward personnel to protect themselves with gowns and gloves against serum hepatitis. They are concerned with stopping blood flow and preparing the infected patients for admission and in the process they may well become infected themselves, he said.

Prof. Dame Sheila Sherlock, a lecturer at London's Royal College, delivered the Louis J. Cole Lecture in gastroenterology entitled, "The Many Faces of Chronic, Active Hepatitis."

Hope that there will soon be medication available to treat pancreatic illnesses was expressed by Dr. Andrew Warshaw, associate professor of surgery at Harvard. At the present time, he said, 90% of recoveries from pancreatitis depend on "nature taking her course."

Warshaw said that early diagnosis, particularly in the first 48 hours, significantly aids recovery.

The seminar was the 7th annual such event held at Mount Sinai Hospital.

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# *Mortgage burning gala "a dream come true"*

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —
When Magen David Congregation burned its mortgage at a gala dinner dance recently, no one cheered.

Instead, soaring over the applause, came the traditional Moroccan ululation, "le you-you," a cry of joy that Jews from North Africa give at their simchas.

The congregation had every reason to rejoice. In 26 years, the French-speaking Sephardic congregation has gone from holding services in the Brunswick Ave. home of the late Rabbi Shlomo Langer to outright ownership of its own building on McAllister Rd. near Bathurst and Sheppard.

As Maurice Benzacar, the synagogue's president, told the 250 guests who had come to join the celebration, held at the Beth Tikvah Synagogue, "Behold our building. Is it not a testimony to those who believed enough to make a dream come true?"

He paid special tribute to the Albert and Temmy Latner Foundation for its support.

**The dream began, Benzacar recalled, with the first wave of Moroccan immigrants to Canada in the late 1950s. "All of us had memories of a homeland sorely missed, loved ones left behind, friendships broken forever . . . we knew we must not let our synagogue and tradition die."**

In the course of their search for a permanent home, the congregation even became members of the Farband Poale Zion, so that they could hold services in the Labor Zionist building.

But, recalled Benzacar, the determination to find their own building was reinforced when, in 1977, holding Yom Kippur services in a tent during a rainstorm, they found themselves dodging leaks in the canvas and muddy puddles in the ground as they prayed.

The following year, the congregation purchased a synagogue building belonging to an inactive congregation — and five years later they were free of debt.

"Today," said Maurice Moryoussef, the congregation's founding treasurer whom Benzacar calls his right-hand man, "notre congregation nous appartiens — our congregation belongs to us."

But, as MPP David Rotenberg joked in his remarks: "You're no sooner getting out of debt than you're going back in." On display outside the banquet hall were drawings of a new social hall for Magen David, so that the congregation can celebrate its simchas within its own walls.

Rotenberg, who brought official greetings from the province of Ontario, represents the riding in which the synagogue is located.

The congregation also wants to attract a rabbi, "to transmit the spark of tradition from generation to generation," Benzacar said.

**As Leon Oziel, president of the Ontario Sephardic Association said, it is the Sephardic synagogues that have enabled Sephardim in Canada to become part of the community without losing "our rich and beautiful culture, our sweet and sensible tradtions."**

The one solemn note in the celebration came with the presentation of a citation to Judy Feld Carr, in recognition of her efforts to free Jews suffering from oppression in Arab lands, in particular Syria.

Donald Carr brought greetings from the Canadian Jewish Congress, and Rabbi Irwin Witty spoke on behalf of the Board of Jewish Education.

The invocation was given by Rabbi David Bouskila, a native of Morocco who is now living in Jerusalem.

## *TRADITION JOINS FASHION*

**Age-old tradition and the latest in fashions for the whole family provided an entertaining contrast at the Women's Auxiliary of Baycrest Centre annual Chanukah luncheon. WA president Alma Waldman watches as Alex Kielish, president of the Resident's Council of the Jewish Home for the Aged, kindles the 7th flame. [Photography Place photo]**

# Luther's birthday sparks opportunity for dialogue

TORONTO —
**The Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto [CJDT], an interfaith organization, is commemorating the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's birth in 1483 by encouraging dialogue opportunities between Lutherans and Jews.**

**The CJDT is sponsored jointly by the Diocese of Toronto of the Anglican Church of Canada, the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Toronto, the Toronto Conference of the United Church of Canada and the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.**

In a statement issued recently in Toronto, the organization says that "the impact and importance of the Reformer in world history are undeniable . . . one thing, however causes us concern: the use, primarily in times past, of Luther's polemical declarations against the Jewish people as a basis for anti-semitism."

The statement was drafted by Rev. Ronald L. Scott, chairman of the CJDT and rector of All Hallows Anglican Church, Father John Tulk, professor of church history at St. Augustine's Seminary, and Dr. Victor Goldbloom, president, and Edith Land, executive secretary of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, in consultation with Dr. Robert J. H. Binhammer, president and Dr. John M. Zimmerman, executive secretary of the Lutheran Church of America — Canada Section.

The CJDT has taken as its guiding principles statements issued by the Lutheran World Federation and the International Jewish Committee on Interreligious Consultations following their second meeting in Stockholm last July.

"We hold that an honest, historical treatment of Luther's attacks on the Jews takes away from modern anti-semites the assumption that they may legitimately call on the authority of Luther's name to bless their anti-semitism," the Lutheran statement said.

The Jewish participants, for their part, welcomed "the commitment of the Lutheran partners in dialogue to respect the living reality of Judaism from the perspective of Jewish self-understanding and their undertaking that Lutheran writings will never again serve as a source for the teaching of hatred for Judaism and the denigration of the Jewish people."

The Stockholm statement concluded with a pledge by both participants to commit themselves "to periodic consultations and joint activities that will strengthen our common bonds in service to humanity."

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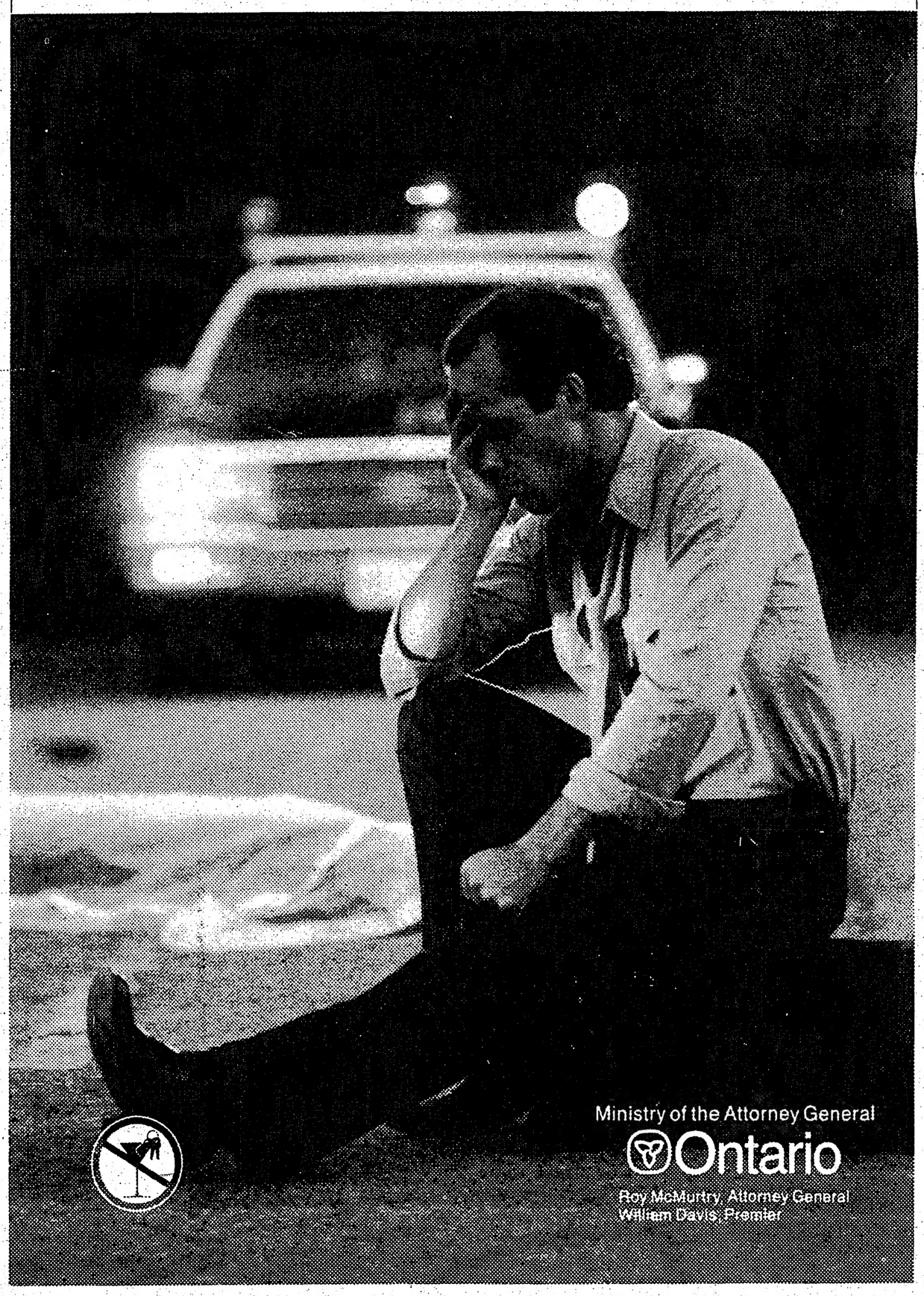

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## *Kronick works with learning disabled children*

# Therese Casgrain Award to educator, lawyer

By
TAMMY KAROL

**TORONTO —**

Doreen Kronick, a resident of Willowdale, is one of two Canadians chosen as the first recipients of the Therese Casgrain Award.

The newly created award was presented to her last week by Monique Begin, minister of national health and welfare.

Kronick, 52, was honored for her efforts and contributions to the advancement of children with learning disabilities. She is founder of the Canadian Association for Children with Learning Disabilities (CACLD).

The Therese Casgrain Award was started by the department of national health and welfare in November 1982 to honor the memory of this eminent Canadian and at the same time to recognize the contribution of Canadian men and women involved in major social issues. Therese Casgrain was a member of the Senate.

Casgrain, a native of Montreal, was the force behind various social reforms in Canada and was one of the pioneers in the women's rights movement in this country.

The senator died on Nov. 3, 1981 and the official award presentation ceremony is being held every fall in the recipient's community. All nominations are examined by the Therese Casgrain national selection committee in Ottawa.

**Recipients receive a plaque bearing the likeness of Casgrain — the work of Madeleine Dansereau and Louis-Jacques Suzor, jewelry artisans in Montreal — and a cash gift of $2,500 to be donated to the charitable organization of their choice.**

**In making the presentation to Kronick, Begin compared the work of the Toronto woman with the late senator.**

**Said Begin: "Doreen Kronick, like Madame Casgrain, identified a telling gap in our society and undertook to fill it. She refused to accept the premise that children with learning disabilities be left to themselves and to their families and believed that society had a duty to share this responsibility through greater understanding and support."**

The CACLD is a voluntary, non-profit organization of parents, professionals, and others concerned with promoting better understanding and services for learning disabled. It has 111 chapters in 10 provinces and two territories and administers a national office at Kildare House in Ottawa (613-238-5721).

According to the CACLD, learning disabilities are an "invisible handicap" and if unrecognized and unhelped play havoc with people's self-esteem and their relationships with family and others.

Early signs of learning disabilities in children are: delayed or immature speech, the inability to comprehend and/or remember; difficulty in controlling the level of attention or activity as required; problems with left and right coordination and/or fine motor control; inappropriate behavior, and a low tolerance for frustration or change.

After the Casgrain presentation last week, Begin handed the $2,500 check to Kronick, which is being donated at her request to the CACLD.

Kronick got a BA in special education from Skidmore University in Sarasota Springs, NY nine years ago. She also received an MA in psychology from York University in 1976 and has worked as a special education instructor for regular classroom teachers.

She is the author of numerous books and articles on learning disabilities and is an associate professor at York University and a trainer/teacher for the Ontario ministry of education Trillium School.

The other recipient this year of the Casgrain award is Montrealer Frank Scott, a lawyer and poet, who will be honored at a ceremony in Montreal in the near future.

Scott, an ardent defender of civil rights and social justice was a member of the Royal commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism.

Kronick became involved in the CACLD after discovering that two of her own children had learning disabilities.

"Once I was aware of the problem I got some special classes for my son, but generally there were no services available then for my kids. I wanted to make it easier for others than it was for me," she explained.

"In those days people didn't know about learning disabilities and you were diagnosed as disturbed, retarded or neurotic," Kronick said. "Schools didn't understand . . . if a child was clumsy and could not write well the teacher would say he was doing that on purpose and punish him. They still sometimes do," she added.

**Kronick told The Canadian Jewish News that once she discovered her children's learning disabilities she found out all she could about language enrichment and problem solving. Her son couldn't do much written work until his mid-teens so she helped with his spelling errors and read school work to him.**

It is Kronick's belief that you never overcome a learning disability but just become more efficient in your deficit area.

"I have a spatial learning disability myself and often I can't find the classrooms where I teach. But I have good verbal skills and I can talk my way through space and find the classrooms that way," she explained.

**Myra Krangle, right, a member of the Therese Casgrain Award selection committee, shows award to recipient Doreen Kronick. [Graphic Artists photo]**

Kronick started the Ontario Association for the Learning Disabled in 1963 with the help of businessman Bob Shannon and dentist Harry Wineberg. The Canadian association started 16 years ago.

Her own children are now aged 22, 27 and 32. One has a MSc in design and the other is studying to be a bartender and has a political science degree. The third has an MBA.

Kronick said that when she was younger she wanted to "change the world" in terms of understanding learning disabilities, "I have had some impact . . . I was vice-president of the early U.S. association for learning disabilities and I've traveled in Australia, South America and everywhere except the Orient to lecture."

Her efforts have been fruitful as evidenced by upcoming federal legislation relating to learning disabilities.

**Said Kronick: "Bill 82 will come into effect in September of 1985 and its mandate is to provide special education for youngsters across the country with special needs. But our school boards in Ontario aren't waiting that long and, in fact, are in various stages of getting services in place already."**

Kronick's husband, Joseph, was trained as a social worker but now runs White Pine summer camp for children.

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## Thousands of Jews saved

# *Scandinavia honored for heroism during WWII*

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

**TORONTO —**
A grateful Jewish community last week paid tribute to the people of Denmark, Sweden, Finland and Norway for their heroism in saving Jewish lives during World War II.

At a special Salute to Scandinavia, held in the Lipa Green Building and hosted by the Ontario Region of Canadian Jewish Congress, the consuls - general for the countries involved — Denmark's Torben Dithmer, Sweden's Ingmar Soderstrom, Finland's Bengt V. Gestrin and Norway's Trygve Husebye — accepted citations presented by international affairs committee co-chairmen Irving Abella and Charles Zaionz, on behalf of Ontario's Jewish community.

**The citations stated that the people of these lands had "held aloft the light of humanity during the darkness of the Holocaust years, and through their resistance to and their repugnance of racial hatred, epitomized the union of heroism and morality." They honored "those who combined courage with cause."**

To commemorate the miracle of Chanukah, Max Saldov and Cantor *Michael Silverberg*, formerly of the Danish Jewish community, lighted the candles and repeated the blessing. "Tonight," said Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, "we salute the light in the hearts of men, as well."

The rabbi explained how each of the Scandinavian lands contributed from its individual perspective.

Denmark, he described as "a legend" whose tenacious people spirited almost their entire 6,500 Jewish population including those who were already refugees from other parts of Europe, across the straits of Skagerrak to safety in Sweden.

Finland, though an ally of Germany, refused to accept the Nazis insane concept of racism, and almost every Finnish Jew was rescued. (Even those Jews who served with the Finnish army were identified only as Finns.)

Members of the Norwegian underground risked their lives and resisted the infamous Quisling regime to save every Norwegian Jew they could find.

**And Sweden sent gunboats to escort the various small vessels which brought Jewish refugees to its shores, offering sanctuary and an ultimate home. The government also refused to accept money for assistance, insisting, "You will have other uses for it. This is an affair of conscience."**

Holy Blossom's Rabbi Dow Marmur said he has reason to be thankful to Sweden. Born in Poland, he and his parents spent the war years in the Soviet Union, emigrating to Sweden in 1948 when he was 15. His mother's two surviving sisters, the woman who was to become his wife, and her mother, all rescued from Ravensbrueck, and his father-in-law to be, who had survived in a different camp, were given a haven.

**"When my wife and I were married in Stockholm," he recalled, "both of us had our parents at our side. Not only was it rare that Polish Jews who were children during the war should have survived, but that their parents should be able to take them under the chupah was almost unheard of. We doubt whether that would have been possible without Swedish intervention . . . and we are profoundly grateful."**

Sweden, he said, gave his family "a place in the world where we were at home," and to this day, despite the fact that they have lived in other countries for more than a quarter of a century, they have retained their Swedish passports.

Congress executive vice-president Alan Rose, Scottish-born, was in the lead tank with the British army at the liberation of Bergen-Belsen. "At 19, I was quite convinced that all the Jews of Eastern Europe had shared the fate of those concentration camp inmates," he said.

But when he was with the forces which liberated Copenhagen, and they were met by representatives of the Danish resistance, he asked what had happened to the Jews of Denmark.

The resistance leader said: "They have all been saved and we hope soon to have them back. We hope that you will be here."

And he was.

Rose said he considers the Danish rescue "one of the great acts in history for collective heroism of a people," and he also had high praise for Sweden's Raoul Wallenberg, who saved more Jews than any other one person.

Noting that the Scandinavians generally refused to give up their Jews to the Germans, Rose affirmed that if others had resisted and stood up to the Nazis, more Jews could have been saved, and the Holocaust less severe.

**Displaying the citations awarded to the four Scandinavian countries are their consuls-general in Toronto. From left: Torben Dithmer of Denmark, Bengt V. Gestrin of Finland, Trygve Husebye of Norway and Ingmar Soderstrom of Sweden. [Ben Lechtman photo]**

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# Ukrainians ask Jews to help them fight Soviets

By
PAUL LUNGEN

**TORONTO —**

**Jews and Ukrainians should work together to help their compatriots suffering under Soviet oppression, according to Omelan Tarnavskyj, a spokesman for the World Congress of Free Ukrainians.**

Tarnavskyj made his remarks following a recent commemorative rally organized by the WCFU, a worldwide body representing 2 million Ukrainians. The rally was held in Toronto in memory of the victims of a man-made famine in the Ukraine, an event WCFU organizers termed a "holocaust" and the "forgotten genocide."

Tarnavskyj said Jews and Ukrainians have much in common, including the struggle for human rights in the Soviet Union.

Tarnavskyj told The Canadian Jewish News the plight of the Ukraine today should be of concern to the Jewish community. "In the Soviet Ukraine," he said, "there are over a million Jews, and if we help our people, we're helping your people. Jews were persecuted by the Germans and by our common foe — the Soviet Union — and we want to oppose this oppression together."

As a start, Tarnavskyj said, "we'd like to organize Ukrainian-Jewish clubs, cultivate social life . . . and present Ukrainian culture before Jewish people and be invited (to do the same) by Jewish groups."

Tarnavskyj may have been trying to initiate that closer cooperation by urging The CJN to cover the memorial rally. The parallels in history he hoped would be evoked, including use of the same terms to describe the disasters that befell each people, were impossible to miss.

From 1932 to 1933 the Soviet regime expropriated food and seed grains from the Ukraine as part of an attempt to collectivize agriculture and break the spirit of the Ukrainian independence movement. About 7 million people died, including a million children.

Opposition Leader Brian Mulroney was the keynote speaker at the rally. He termed the famine a "calamity" and an event "we cannot and should not forget."

**British MP Stephen Terlecky told the rally that after the food was taken "people lived on birds, cats, dogs, then roots."**

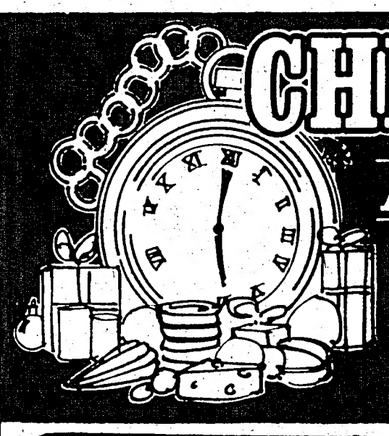
**He referred to the world outcry at the deaths of 269 people on board South Korean Airline flight 007, and said "they would have to shoot down one plane a day for 70 years" to equal the deaths caused by the famine.**

Following the rally, Tarnavskyj pointed out for The CJN instances of Jewish-Ukrainian cooperation in the past, including setting up common election committees to get candidates elected to the Polish Parliament in the 1920s. He hoped that Jews and Ukrainians would cooperate more in the future.

"We understand that the Jewish people have a large importance in world events," Tarnavskyj said, "especially in the United States . . . It would be very important and a big help to us to find people who would help us . . . in our cause to free our country."

While Tarnavskyj expressed hope for better relations in the future, he acknowledged that "during the 1940s crimes were committed against Jews, who blame Ukrainians for helping the Germans.

Our position is that the past should be studied by scholars and in the present we have to help each other against our main enemy — the Communist Russian empire."

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## Good vs. bad business

# *Annuity gets nod over cash*

By
MURRAY SHERR
And
BUNNY BERGSTEIN

**Q.** I am approaching the time when I must make a decision on my RRSPs. With two or more years to go, should I buy an annuity or should I withdraw the money and pay the tax? I have a good income from investments, so I'm not concerned about income. On the other hand, I don't want to pay tax on $50,000. What do you think?

**A.** To withdraw the funds or not to withdraw the funds, that is the question? Whether it is better to have cash or to have income should be looked at from the point of view of good business or bad business.

From the information you have given us, you are not short of either cash or income, so let's see which is best.

To begin with, you voluntarily give up the last two years of RRSP tax deferral that you are entitled to by cashing out your RRSP. Then, by taking out the cash, you will be adding $25,000 to two taxation years. This will probably raise your marginal tax rate to about 45%. Therefore, the tax that you will pay on the $50,000 will be about $22,500. That leaves you $27,500 to invest.

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So, which is better business — taking the cash or taking the annuity? We think it's in taking the annuity in most cases.

**Q.** I want my wife to purchase an annuity from a spousal RRSP that I have set up for her. The trouble is that two of the deposits made to the RRSP are less than three years old. Will I be taxed if she buys the annuity?

**A.** No, there won't be any tax charged back to you. There is a 3-year rule that, in effect states, if your wife withdraws any of the funds in cash in less than three years, the tax due on the withdrawal will be charged to you.

However, if she purchases an annuity, she will be using the funds to do exactly what they are meant to do. Therefore there will be no tax charged back to either your spouse or to you.

We have often arranged such annuities for people on the very day that the spousal RRSP deposits are made. Incidentally, the spouse making the deposit can be over age 71, just as long as the spouse receiving the deposit is not past the end of the year in which he or she is age 71.

**Q.** Is it wise to buy several annuities from different companies in order to spread the risk?

**A.** This question is often asked of us in conjunction with the question of there being a $60,000 limit. The $60,000 limit does not apply to annuity purchases. There is no limit as to the amount.

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**The record is that no person has ever lost, even one dollar, in the 150-year history of these companies. The reason is that the Canadian life companies are among the strongest in the world and the most closely government-regulated.**

**Still, if you have a large amount of money, say several hundred thousand dollars, and you would feel better if it was split up among several companies, then that is the correct way to handle it.**

**Q.** I was in your office several days ago for a quotation on $50,000 on a joint and last survivor annuity, guaranteed 10 years. I was surprised to find that the rates printed in The CJN on Nov. 10, 1983 were better than you got me. Can you explain the discrepancy?

**A.** We are not surprised that you should feel that your quotation should be as good as the published figures. However, here is the reason they are not. To begin with, the figures, when printed on Nov. 10, were already eight days old. The survey that we do was completed on Nov. 2. By the time you came in and got your rates, 15 days had passed and the rates had gone down. Annuity rates can, and do, fluctuate . . . sometimes on a weekly basis and sometimes several times a week.

Then there is the added consideration of comparing a joint and last survivor annuity. Our published rates assumes that husband and wife are of equal ages. In your case your wife is younger than you. Therefore, the amount quoted to you would be less than that published. rates.

The combination of the two factors did make a difference, but both were correct.

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| | 71 | 722.57 | 638.39 |
| LIFE ANNUITY Guaranteed Term 10 years | 60 | 556.95 | 518.33 |
| | 65 | 571.71 | 542.29 |
| | 71 | 615.34 | 588.55 |
| LIFE ANNUITY Guaranteed Term 15 years | 60 | 526.06 | 510.39 |
| | 65 | 547.67 | 528.08 |
| | 71 | 572.30 | 558.17 |
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| JOINT LIFE ANNUITY Guaranteed Term 10 years | Age 60 | 501.89 | |
| | 65 | 521.91 | |
| | 71 | 558.92 | |
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| FIXED TERM ANNUITY To Age 90 | 60 | 499.24 | |
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**Monday, January 2, 1984**

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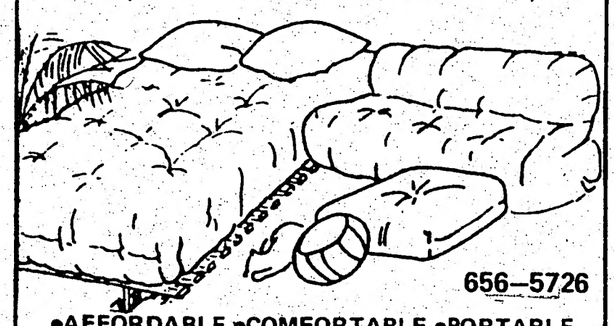

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*Art reflects woman's terror*

# Koffler features exhibit by Holocaust victim

By
GARY COHEN

**TORONTO —**
A group of local dignitaries and invited guests gathered last week at the Jewish Community Centre's Koffler Gallery to salute the opening of a major new exhibit featuring the work of German-Jewish artist and Holocaust victim Charlotte Salomon.

Toronto alderman Michael Gee, consul-general of the Netherlands Tom Kasteel, Toronto-Amsterdam Twin Cities Association president Gerrit V. L. Verstraete and Koffler Gallery president Aaron Milrad were among those who were on hand to welcome the moving autobiographical exhibit of over 200 gouache (a form of watercolor) paintings entitled Charlotte — Life Or Theatre?

The selection of paintings that will be seen by Toronto gallery-goers is only a small part of the entire Salomon collection which is permanently housed at Amsterdam's Jewish Historical Museum.

The total body of Salomon's unique work, done almost exclusively during the last two years of her life prior to her death at Auschwitz in 1943, encompasses close to 1,400 autobiographical pieces which reflect the terror of a young woman trapped between a suicidal family history and the advancing horror of the Nazis.

**Both Salomon's mother and grandmother committed suicide — a fact which the artist did not learn until late in her life — and much of her remaining family perished at the hands of the Nazis. But it is the exhibit's strong sense of vitality and the will to survive in the face of impending doom which has drawn most praise from critics around the world who have seen Salomon's art.**

Alderman Gee is probably the person most responsible for the premiere Canadian showing of Charlotte — Life Or Theatre?

Gee told The CJN that he first encountered the exhibit while on a trip to Amsterdam in April of 1982 as a member of the Toronto - Amsterdam Twin Cities Association exchange program. While there, Gee met Jewish Historical Museum curator Judith Belafont with whom he discussed bringing the exhibit to Toronto.

After "beating on a lot of doors" Gee eventually got the city interested in the vernissage and initial plans were to open the exhibit at the Toronto-owned Market Gallery. But, Gee says, the facilities at the MG would not accommodate the large showing.

Eventually, the Koffler was suggested by Scott James of Toronto's archives department, and planning began in earnest.

The exhibit is being presented by the Koffler Gallery in collaboration with Toronto City Council, the Toronto-Amsterdam Twin Cities Association and the Jewish Historical Museum of Amsterdam.

Gee said the cost of bringing the exhibit to Canada will amount to "about anywhere from $7,000 to $10,000" — most of which has gone towards traveling costs. Much of that money has been provided with assistance from the Ontario ministry of citizenship and culture's cultural exchange program.

Charlotte — Life Or Theatre? is scheduled to remain on exhibit at the Koffler Gallery until Jan. 6.

**On hand at the Koffler Gallery for the opening of Charlotte-Life or Theatre? are, from left, Aaron Milrad, Koffler Gallery president, Gerrit Verstraete, president of the Toronto-Amsterdam Twin Cities Association, Toronto alderman Michael Gee and Tom Kasteel, consul-general of the Netherlands.**

# *Falashas make way to Israel*

**NEW YORK [JTA] —**
An Ethiopian Jew who emigrated to Israel more than 25 years ago and is now intimately involved with helping new olim from Ethiopia adjust to their new environment in Israel, warned against "outside intervention" in the efforts to rescue the Falashas.

**Matityahu Elias, who works for the Jewish Agency's department of emigration and absorption, said the Israeli efforts to rescue Ethiopian Jews have been successful and that despite "intense difficulties," Falashas were leaving their country and reaching Israel.**

His reference to the outside forces involved in Falashas' rescue operations was not specific although it is known that the American Association of Ethiopian Jewry has worked in the past years to save Ethiopian Jews. The AAEJ apparently does not work with the Israel government in this effort.

The 38-year-old Elias is in the United States to begin a tour to meet with local Jewish leaders and other interested parties who have been involved in Ethiopian Jewry. The tour sponsored by the Zionist Organization of America, "will seek to dispel the mixed signals, and misconceptions" that have surrounded Israel's rescue efforts on behalf of Ethiopian Jews, according to Elias.

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## Arts

# *Canadian advertising blitz promotes Israeli satirist*

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

**He's a household name in Israel** and throughout Western and Eastern Europe, but in Canada he's virtually unknown and unsung.

Ephraim Kishon is an Israeli humorist — a satirist, if you will — whose 30 odd works have been translated into 25 languages and sold 26 million copies around the world.

Critics have compared him to Sholom Aleichem, Mark Twain, Stephen Leacock and James Thurber.

**His friend, Marek Sutkiewicz, a Toronto publisher cum-jeweler, has launched an expensive advertising campaign to make him famous in Canada.**

Since last August, Sutkiewicz — a survivor of Auschwitz — has poured $100,000 into the blitz. And he is optimistic that Canadian readers will eventually learn to appreciate this Israeli writer who satirizes the smaller, seemingly insignificant problems besetting man.

Sutkiewicz, a former Israeli, has published three of Kishon's books so far — My Family . . . Right or Wrong, Paradise for Rent and Noah's Ark . . . Reservations Please! — and plans to put out three more in 1984.

"I believe in advertising," says Sutkiewicz, who, together with his family, runs European Jewellery, a shop catering to the carriage trade. "I want to establish a name for Kishon. I'm sure he deserves it."

**The proprietor of M. Sutkiewicz Publishing Inc., Sutkiewicz started the company in 1982 with the intention of promoting satiric writers. "Satire," he observes, "is our best defence against the insanity around us. I think I survived, in a way, by keeping my sense of humor."**

A quiet, serious man, he began his career in publishing by anthologizing the aphorisms of Richard Needham, The Globe and Mail editorial page columnist, in a volume entitled You and all the Rest.

Needham affects a cynicism which would probably repel any saint. "A man annoys a woman by his absence or by his presence, or by his absence during his presence," one of them goes. Sutkiewicz, who has also published two volumes of European cartoons, Nobody is Perfect, gets a real belly laugh when he reads Needham.

Sutkiewicz, whose books are distributed by MacMillan of Canada, has published two in collaboration with Andre Deutsch of London — How to be Poor, by George Mikes, and Who Wants to be a Millionaire? by David Frost.

Kishon, however, remains his favorite, an author he describes as "the best living satirist in the world."

**Few stories have been accorded as much publicity as Sutkiewicz has lavished on Kishon. For the past few months, particularly last summer, Sutkiewicz has bombarded the public with excerpts from the stories, translated into English from the original Hebrew, and traditional teasers.**

Ephraim Kishon

Advertising, he claims, is like an investment. To date, Sutkiewicz has had "moderate" success in selling his books. But he had no grand illusions when he went into the publishing business. "I can't say I expected to become a millionaire. I still hope satire will appeal to a Canadian readership."

**Born in Lodz, Poland 56 years ago, he was attracted to publishing because of his life-long love of books. "By the time I was 12," he recounts, sipping cognac from a shiny goblet, "I had read more than the average Canadian does in a life."**

He was the only member of his extended family of 40 to survive the Holocaust. His father was 39 when he succumbed to illness in the Lodz ghetto. His mother and brother were killed in Auschwitz in 1944.

After the war, he spent three years in Germany. In 1948, he immigrated to the newly-created state of Israel, and fought in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Having been demobilized, Sutkewicz then earned a living by distributing newspapers in Tel Aviv.

Five years after his arrival in Israel, he began publishing Yarden, a German-language weekly aimed at German Jewish immigrants living there. The circulation reached a high of 10,000 before he had to stop publication in 1957.

His readership, he explains, declined through attrition. And he did well as long as publications from Germany were banned in Israel.

Bouncing back from defeat, Sutkiewicz started a wholesale retail camera and stereo company. He did this for approximately 18 years, before deciding to leave Israel.

He sent his family ahead to Toronto, where they opened European Jewellery, and he liquidated his Tel Aviv business in 1979.

Today he devotes equal parts of his day to European Jewellery and to M. Sutkiewicz Publishing.

# Mehta pivotal point of concert

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TEL AVIV —

If you are lucky enough to obtain tickets to The Israeli Philharmonic Orchestra when in Israel you are in for a rare treat.

During a recent trip to Israel, I had the opportunity to attend with my husband opening night for the annual subscription series comprised of 11 concerts in all.

Conducted by Zubin Mehta, one of the most sought after orchestra and operatic conductors in the world and music director for life of the IPO, the concert took place at Tel Aviv's Fredric R. Mann Auditorium in the northern quarter of the city.

Flanked by such cultural enclaves as the Helena Rubinstein Museum, the National Theatre Company of Israel — Habimah, and numerous art galleries, the auditorium was filled to capacity with 3,000 people.

It is a modern 2-tiered concert hall with an elegant marble foyer and deep wood paneled walls. It is fully air-conditioned and the corrugated brass recessed lighting and cushioned velvet seats depict an aura of elegance.

**According to Israeli standards, the audience is well dressed with women in cotton or silk dresses or suits and moderately bejeweled. The men are more casually dressed in open collar shirts and slacks. Few men wore jackets or ties except for a few "token" foreign visitors.**

Yet, despite the dress habits of this upper crust and middle aged sector of Israeli society, where else in the world can you find so many kipot, army uniforms and Hebrew spoken at every angle? Only in Israel, as the saying goes.

And contrary to the lack of decorum Israelis are noted for, this audience was so polite that at the stroke of 8 p.m. the lights dimmed, not a sound could be heard except for the national anthem, Hatikvah. No one strayed in late.

Before and during intermission, a snack bar offers a wide assortment of confectionery items, from sandwiches to pastries, soft drinks and fruit juice, coffee and tea.

And where else but in Israel can you find the calibre of Zubin Mehta, music director of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, so warmly loved and deeply appreciated by his audience?

Mehta is unquestionably the pivotal point of the concert. All eyes are on him as his arms ebb and flow with the music. Also featured was pianist, Alfred Brendel, who was the first pianist to record all the works of Beethoven for the piano.

The program featured Robert Schumann's Overture to Byron's Manfred, op. 115; Arnold Schoenberg's Concerto for piano and orchestra, op. 42; Mozart's Concerto no. 20 in D minor, and Francesca da Rimini, op. 32, by Tchaikovsky.

The reviews the next day were glowing. Ma'ariv reported that the music was "rich, strong and full of tensive energy," while Ha'aretz said it was "poetic in its imagery."

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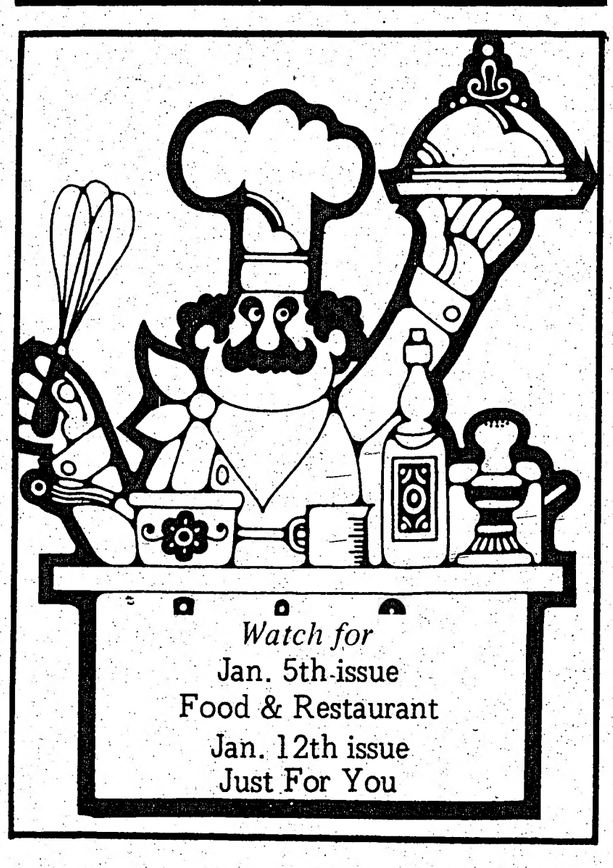

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# Toronto oboist invited to tour Israel

**music**

By RICK KARDONNE

**At the invitation** of the Israeli ministry of culture, Toronto oboist Lawrence Cherney will make a recital tour of Israel Dec. 18-Jan. 1.

The first foreign oboist to be issued such an invitation, Cherney will team up with Israeli harpist Ruth Maayani for a series of concerts for the Concert Bureau (Reshet). He will also appear in the Israel Broadcasting Authority public series Dec. 18 at the Jerusalem YMCA (to be broadcast live) and will give a recital at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

Cherney will be featured in a concert of Israeli and Canadian music at the Tel Aviv Library Dec. 22 co-sponsored by the Canadian embassy and League. The program will include River of Fire by Montreal composer Brian Cherney (brother of Lawrence) for obos d'amore and harp, and the premiere of a work by Israeli composer Arthur Gelbrum.

**This tour is made possible through the assistance of the cultural exchange program of the Ontario ministry of citizenship and culture. It is not Cherney's first concert tour of Israel. While a member of the York Winds for 10 years [1972-82], he toured Israel in 1978 and 1981.**

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**While guest artists Leonard Rose** on cello and Oscar Shumsky on violin gave performances which were obviously superior to that offered by the Orford String Quartet in their recent joint effort Roy Thomson Hall concert, they themselves committed an inexcusable situation by stopping several times in the middle of their rendition of Zoltan Kodaly's dynamic Duo for Cello and Violin to turn the page.

If you couldn't play the music by heart, couldn't they have employed a page-turner?

This blooper followed a timid, lethargic interpretation of Beethoven's String Quartet in E Minor by the Orford group.

The thin violin tones and generally circumspect conceptual overview displayed by this Canadian ensemble hid Beethoven's angst when he composed this work: epic strong defiance to the trauma of his advancing deafness.

Particularly weak was the Orford rendition of the famous "starry night" slow second movement, which requires many subtle changes of mood. Only one mood prevailed here: sleep.

In their joint performance of Brahms' Sextet in G Major, the rich full-blooded tones of both Shumsky and Rose played second fiddle to the thinner, less expressive Orford violin and cello leads. Shouldn't it have been the other way around?

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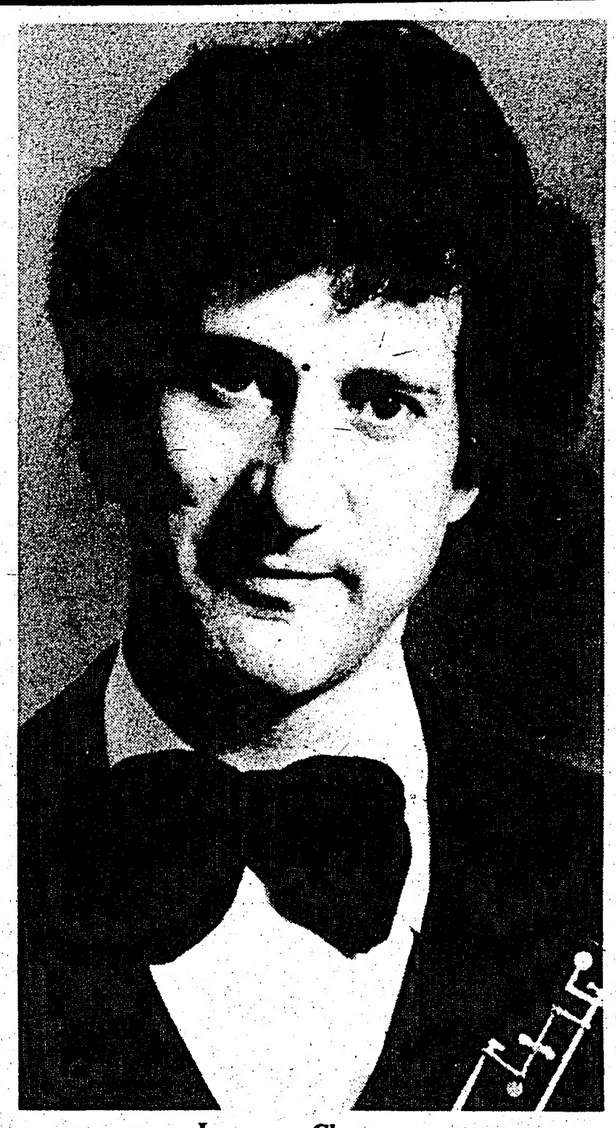
**Quebec chanteuse Pauline Julien,** performing in Toronto this weekend, was a leader of the anti-Israel rally staged in Montreal when Ariel Sharon spoke there last June.



Lawrence Cherney

# *Kids take spotlight in LPT play*

**TORONTO —**

The wonderful world of children will take the spotlight next week as a new family musical called Every Kid's A Star opens a 5-day run at the Leah Posluns Theatre from Dec. 18-22.

Starring children's music composer Bob Schneider and a cast of 14 southern Ontario grade school youngsters, two of whom are from the Leah Posluns Theatre drama program, Every Kid's A Star is based on the well known songwriter's experiences entertaining and creating with children from all over North America.

Schneider, whose Juno Award-winning second album, When You Dream A Dream, gained national recognition last year, told The CJN that Every Kid's A Star is a collaborative effort that came out of songs which he had previously written and recorded, and the work of Grimsby, Ont. choreographer Susan Kolacevic.

**Schneider learned that Kolacevic was successfully adding choreography to his music in her dance classes for children. He was so impressed by the creative burst of energy he saw in the classes and the way his "material lent itself to production numbers" that he asked Kolacevic to design dance for several of his other songs which were then patchworked together with "a bit of dialogue and plot" to produce Every Kid's A Star.**

After the Leah Posluns became interested in the show, director Joel Greenberg, whose work in Ain't Misbehavin' earned him a 1982 Dora Mavor Moore Award, was hired to pull the directorial strings on Every Kid.

"The concept of the play," Schneider says, "is loosely based on how I get together with a group of kids while touring or visiting classes and make up a song." Sharing in that sense of youthful creativity is what the play is all about. Even the show's polished choreography, he said, has "a childlike feel to it."

"I'm hoping that audiences who see the play come away with a warm feeling. I want the audience to relate to and root for the kids on stage as if they were their own," Schneider explains. "I hope the feeling gotten by the audience is the joy of a child — the spontenaiety and exuberant burst of love that only a kid can give."

**Every Kid's A Star runs twice daily at 3 and 7.30 p.m. from Dec. 18-22. Tickets are $8.50 for adults and $5.50 for children under the age of 12. For ticket information call the LPT box office at 630-6752 or any BASS outlet.**

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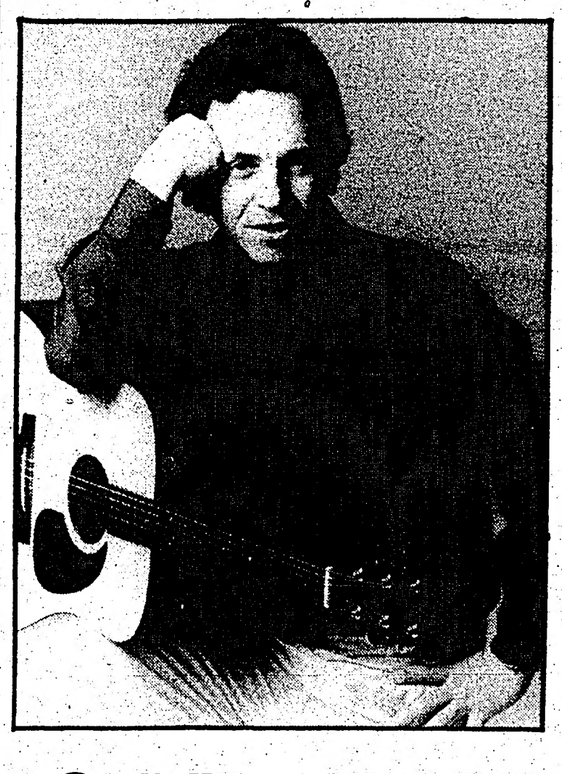

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# Arts

# *Singer novel story of spiritual change*

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By
BERNARD BASKIN

**The penitent, by Isaac Bashevis Singer. Collins $13.95 [U.S.]**

This short and surprising novel concerns a Baal tshuva, one who returns to the tradition. It is the story of a dramatic spiritual transformation. Written in Yiddish in 1974, it has just recently been translated into English.

The born-again narrator of this story is Joseph Shapiro, a survivor of the Holocaust. He had fled from the flames of the Warsaw ghetto to Russia where he had become reunited with his childhood sweetheart. Together they had made their way to post-war America where resourceful Shapiro became a wealthy real-estate operator.

But affluence led to profound disillusionment. He discovered that his wife was unfaithful and that his life was bereft of ideals or the consolation of religious faith. He acknowledged with despair that, "I lay deep in the mire and did the devil's work."

**Renouncing his hollow, hedonistic existence, Shapiro entered a New York lower East Side shul in search of inspiration. There he heard a voice commanding him to leave the wickedness and fleshpots of New York for the spirituality of Israel.**

But Tel Aviv is a shock. Hebrew is "no longer the sacred tongue. A language used to build ships and airplanes and to manufacture guns and bombs cannot be a Sacred Tongue. . . . Yes the Enlightened have attained their goal. We are a people like all other peoples. We feed our souls on the same dung as they do. We're already raising our daughters to be depraved. We already publish Hebrew magazines that describe in detail which Hollywood harlot slept with what Hollywood pimp."

But the dejected wanderer finally found wisdom and understanding in the Jerusalem studyhouse of the Sandzer Hasidim. It comes to him as a revelation. "I saw in their eyes something that I had never seen among modern Jews: love for Jewishness, love for fellow Jew, even if he was a sinner. It wasn't a feigned love, it was real. Everyone can tell real love from fake."

Rejecting the modern world, Shapiro joined the sect and eventually married the daughter of the Hasidic leader. In this union he finds his first true fulfilment.

**Is this Singer talking? Are these his views? Are Shapiro and Singer identical? Is this the same writer who created sinister Jewish landscapes swarming with dybbuks, imps, goblins and the pervasive evil-eye? Is this the same master of Jewish Gothic who brought us repeated scenes of violence and rape and who delighted in the grotesque and the bizarre?**

It is impossible to answer these questions. But it is helpful to remember that throughout Singer's work, evil is palpable and assumes a thousand forms, that men are punished by suffering when they become slaves to their senses, and that ultimately the only reality is spiritual joy and the wisdom of the Torah.

In a sense, Shapiro is the prototype of the pious Rabbi who, in many of Singer's stories, remains in the midst of desecrations and leads his community and congregation back to sanity.

He is like Yasha in The Magician of Lublin who, after a dissolate life, ends his years in a cell of stones, spending his time in prayer and study while worthy Jews sought his advice and blessing.

**Many will find this book an outrageous, other-worldly, cowardly refusal to face up to the demands of the modern world. Others will regard it as one possible answer to the increasing horrors of our age.**

# Actor hopes Brecht role brings work

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Clad in a white shirt, red suspenders, red, black and white pants, and a black and white striped jacket (very wide stripes), Sam Malkin lolls in a hammock for part of Jungle of Cities, the Bertolt Brecht play at Toronto Free Theatre **until Dec. 18.**

The 32-year-old Jewish actor has the role of a pimp ("I've nowhere to go but up") in this spectacular production which features dazzling costumes and a mind-boggling, 5-level urbanscape set both by Mary Kerr. Jungle of Cities marks a welcome return of Brecht to the Toronto scene and is the most theatrically satisfying play of the season.

The last time Sam Malkin played in Jungle he was a student in first year at the National Theatre School in Montreal; he had a bit part, a member of the chorus. Now, a decade later, he plays the evil Collie Couch, also called The Baboon.

Evidently director Guy Sprung found Sam's lean, angled face and dark features just right to portray the animalistic character of the pimp.

While the two main characters, Shlink and George spar in the Chicago of 1912, The Baboon appears suddenly from time to time, heralding the brutish forces of the city.

**Malkin hopes Jungle of Cities, his first major appearance in Toronto, will bring other work in stage, film and TV. He is much attracted to Brecht as a playwright. "He challenges the mind, he wants you to put aside the emotional content."**

He once played Wong water seller in another Brecht play, The Good Woman of Setzuan.

Born and raised in Winnipeg, Malkin has also appeared on stages in Vancouver (Catsplay), Calgary (Of Mice and Men and The Tempest) and Montreal (Jitters). He now lives in Toronto.

## Family spread out

His parents, Sol and Mary Malkin, moved to Vancouver, where a sister, Reva, also resides. His brother Dr. Mendel Malkin, is in Toronto, while another sister, Marilyn, a psychologist, lives in Cleveland. His uncle, Ben Malkin, is a well known newspaperman, a former editorial writer for the Ottawa Citizen.

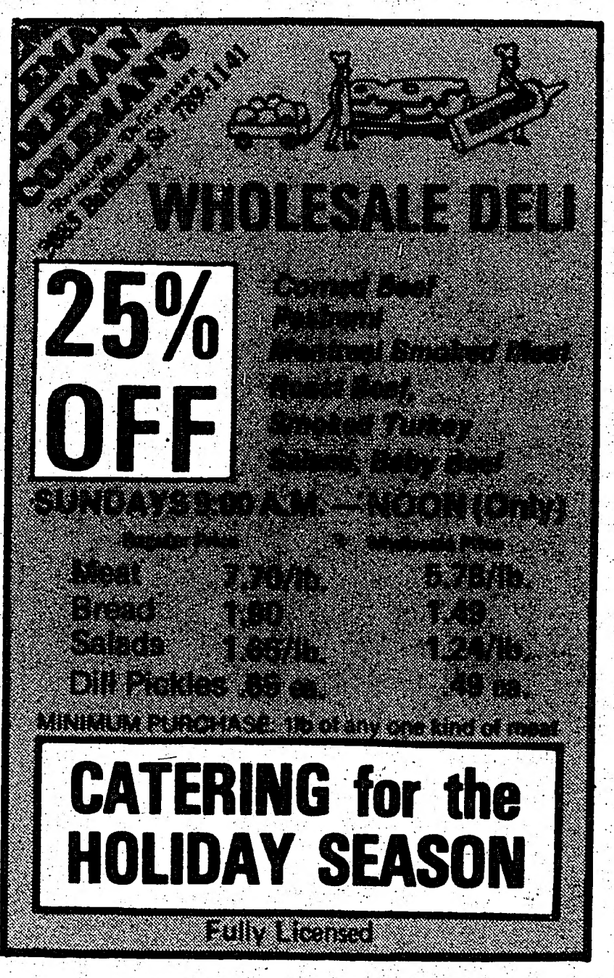
"The last time I appeared in Toronto it was in a little play called, After the Opera, at Theatre Passe Muraille, and if you blinked, the play's run was over," Malkin said.

In Jungle of Cities, Brecht attacks his subject head on; in fact an opening gong sounds as Shlink and Garga begin their fight — these two characters symbolizing the corruption possible in the urban blight of cities.

In her review in The Star, Gina Mallet shrugs off the play as an early Brecht sortie against capitalism, while Ray Conlogue in The Globe and Mail, while kinder, faults its structure. Both seem to overlook Brecht's ability to strip away sham, to have his characters speak of life's essence in plain and simple words.

In Jungle of Cities, Brecht asks the audience to look at techniques, not motives, as the men pursue their battle.

The spectacular and inspired staging, the original music by John-Mills Cockell, and the high energy combine to make it a production not to be missed. There's still time!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## Acme Harpoon Co. at Fernando's in Markham

# *Laugh seekers can now travel north*

By
BEN ROSE

**TORONTO —**
Go north if you want to catch one of the funniest shows in town.

The Acme Harpoon Co. is playing at Fernando's Dinner Theatre in Markham (Highways 7 and 48) to full houses, and rightly so. It may be suburbia, even exurbia, but the comedy of this relatively new company is as good or better than anything downtown.

Under the sensitive direction of Second City veteran Allan Guttman, the Acme harpoonists skewer the post office, computers, male strippers, singles bars and sexual mores, using only a few chairs as props, and bursts of taped music as intros.

The company did its first show at Old Angelos just over a year ago, and since then their style and material has matured and deepened.

Though they still do blackouts and 1-liners, they've added a few longer numbers, with whimsy and irony as well as humor, and these gain strength from the acting skills of newcomers Deborah Kimmett and Barry Stevens. The regulars, Richard Dumont, Joe Chilco and Deborah Jarvis, round out the cast.

Acme Harpoon has a second company playing a dinner theatre in the Kitchener area, and the Acme Radio Show is being taped for syndication. They played the Prince of Wales Hotel in Niagara-on-the-Lake last summer.

The show goes on in Markham Friday and Saturday nights and host Marto Fernando, who introduced a dinner show policy last spring, says a lot of the customers are Jewish people from Markham, Vaughan and North York.

He can seat 80 diners comfortably in his restaurant and has a $20 package for the show and a good dinner, offering a choice of poached salmon steak, prime rib of beef, New York steak or chicken coq au vin, with soup, lavish desserts and beverage included. Fernando was once the chef at the Oakdale Golf Club.

Members of the Acme Harpoon Co. — Deborah Kimmet and Barry Stevens.

The stage manager for the Acme Harpoon Co. is 28-year-old Dino Ventresca, who converted to Judaism this year, and who gets up at 5.30 a.m. to arrive on time for morning services at Beth Tzedec Congregation. It takes a ride on the subway and two buses to get him there.

Born in Welland as a Roman Catholic, where his mother and sister reside, Dino took religious instruction from Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg and Rabbi Lawrence Troster. "I was a fairly religious child," he told The CJN, "but I was not satisfied with Catholicism. I left the church and over the years I read a lot and became interested in the way Judaism expresses the relationship between man and God."

He taught himself Hebrew, but also hired a private tutor, a young Israeli, for a couple of months to improve his proficiency.

"I was hesitant to tell my mother about my conversion," Dino said, "and when I told her I had something serious to say she looked worried. She thought I was on drugs or in debt. She was so relieved when she found out what it was. 'As long as you're healthy,' she told me."

# La Traviata opens City Opera season

**TORONTO —**
The Toronto City Opera will begin its 1984 season Feb. 8 with Verdi's La Traviata.

This will be followed by Donizetti's Lucia di Lamermoor, Mascagni's Cavalleria Rusticana and Mozart's The Impressario.

La Traviata will be presented Feb. 8, 18 and 24 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 12 at 2 p.m.

Lucia di Lamermoor — Feb. 11, 17, 22 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 26 at 2 p.m.

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# Arts

## "I'm a craftsman of words"

# *Mandlsohn's poems joyous celebrations of sounds*

By
TAMMY KAROL

**When life has limitation**
**Like a tied wing**
**In exultation**
**I can still sing,**
**Not of the cord, tying**
**But of the bird, flying.**

* * *

Sol Mandlsohn's poems are joyous celebrations of sound. Battling the obstacles around him, they keep soaring in flight.

Of the Bird Flying, the short lyric ballad cited above, is one of 160 poems gathered in Mandlsohn's newly - released book by the same name.

The $19.95 hardcover volume is available at major Toronto book stores or can be bought by mail order at Proclaim Publications, PO Box 130, Station Z, Toronto, M5N 2Z3. Publisher is Eleanor Koldofsky Sniderman, president of Proclaim and the Aquitaine Record Company.

Mandlsohn has often referred to himself as a "craftsman of words" rather than a poet, because he's devoted only a small portion of his life to slinging ideas and sounds together.

Since 1946, the 65-year-old businessman has been owner of Bay-Bloor Radio, a major radio and hi-fi operator with two Toronto outlets.

**With an initial investment of $600, Mandlsohn and his wife Peppie started the family firm. Today son Mark also helps run Bay-Bloor Radio along with 40 other employees.**

Mandlsohn, a portly, voluble man, began writing poetry when he was 15, translating poems from French and German into English. He has since compiled over 2,000 poems, a portion of which were selected by his wife and publisher for the new book.

Of The Bird Flying reflects Mandlsohn's philosophy on writing and his optimism on life in general.

"Every poem is a potentially good one and every finished one is imperfect," said Mandlsohn in an interview at his Don Mills home last week. "When you first write a poem you create a fire. After that it will be changed to ashes, but someone else can warm himself out of the ashes and rekindle a new fire out of it."

As a teen, Mandlsohn dropped out of grade 13 at Jarvis Collegiate because of boredom. He worked in his parents' grocery store for a brief period, later joining the civil service and the army.

Although he never stopped writing, he kept his poems to himself, and never considered publishing them.

His daughter Anne changed all that.

Sol Mandlsohn

**Twenty years ago she persuaded her father to enter a Gage Publishing poetry contest. The winning pieces were to be published in the firm's series of poetry books for children. Out of 2,800 entries, 20 were selected and six were Mandlsohn's.**

Mandlsohn's literary abilities came into the spotlight again from 1959-1962 in Maclean Hunter's Home Goods Retailing. He wrote many pieces for this publication and was nicknamed the business poet of Canada.

Ten years later Mandlsohn was given a TV contract with Global as the poet of Norm Crosby's Everything Goes variety show. It was here that he changed from amateur to professional, writing over 100 poems in a 16-week production period.

After seeing him on Global, Oxford University Press asked Mandlsohn to submit material for its grade 9 poetry book entitled Echo 2. Seven pieces appeared in the publication and a number were placed alongside the works of Ogden Nash, the American poet to whom Mandlsohn has often been compared.

Many items in the new book use the technique of nonsense to convey deeper meaning as well as pure fun. For instance, in one poem entitled Shake Well After Using, he parodies people who buy drugs for certain illnesses and keep waiting for them to strike again.

Mandlsohn's material includes serious reflections on life and death as well as love poems and light witty pieces on beauty pageants, metric conversion and panty-hose.

**Mandlsohn does delve into one anti-semitic incident which he recalls from his youth. The poem, entitled Growing Pains, describes how a Jewish boy is taunted by the Gentile youngsters in the neighborhood and is forced to pull down his pants in front of some girls.**

Besides the radio sales, service and hi-fi business and poetry Mandlsohn has also had a career as an actor for the last 24 years.

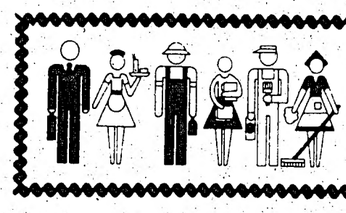
The energetic businessman has starred in over 60 different roles in television, film and theatre.

Mandlsohn is also kept busy convincing children to like poetry. He often lectures on business and poetry in Toronto schools, instilling in the students his love for words and sounds.

Now that Mandlsohn has had his first poetry book released he's busy working on future publishing projects.

His next book will be a poetry selection for children entitled, If You're Different. The volume is based on a poem by that title and reflects the individuality of each human being and Mandlsohn's anti-establishment attitude.

**Also on Mandlsohn's list is a book made up entirely of limericks and a text of 130 poems which were not selected for Of the Bird Flying.**

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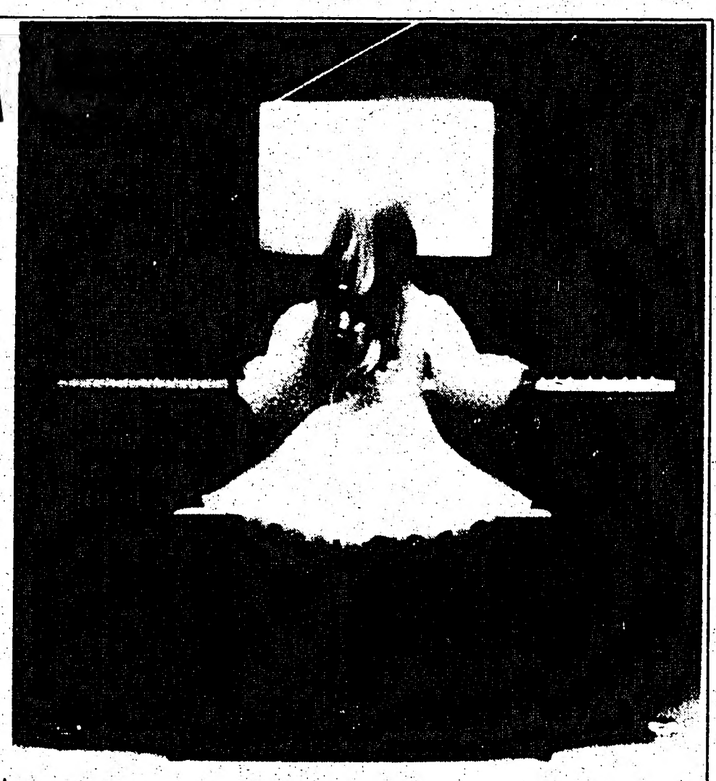

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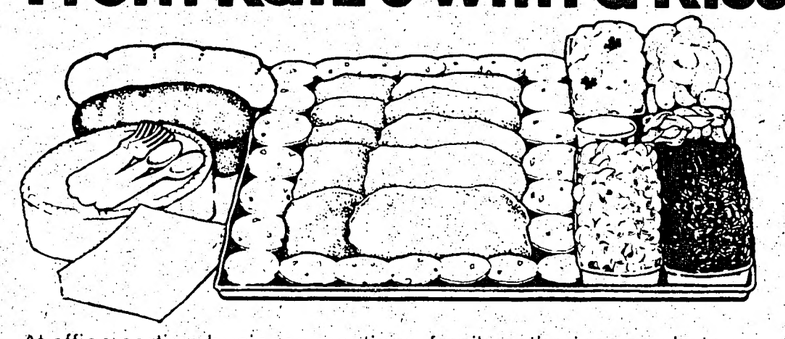

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*Pop opera a winner*

# Dreamcoat's music full of fun

By
RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO —

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is the first of the three Andrew Lloyd Webber-Tim Rice pop-operas, and the best.

Free of the preachiness which weighted down its two successors, in harmony with its lighthearted music it's meant to be, and is, just sheer pure fun. And those who catch it at O'Keefe Centre up until its Toronto closing date, this Saturday night Dec. 17, will be guaranteed the story of Joseph in a manner which is sheer pure fun.

The music, a blend of gospel-rock, jazzed-up English church hymns, with some humorous country and one delightful faintly-Yiddish-influenced number (when the brothers, left behind during the famine, wonder what happened to Joseph) is not, on its own, particularly distinctive. But it is bouncy and exuberant, and this, together with some stunning sets (especially a large pyramid backdrop) and a freshly enthusiastic cast, makes this show a delight.

**David Cassidy sees his lead role of Joseph as an embodiment of idealism in the best sense. And he succeeds, converying a sense of pure-hearted sensitivity from the beginning, which makes his forgiveness of the initially treacherous brothers totally believable.**

**However, he is almost [but not quite] upstaged by Hal Davis' hilarious portrayal of Pharaoh as Elvis.**

Tony Tanner's choreography succeeds very well here, especially in the ancient Egypt scenes with the disco-dancing court girls providing the backup to Pharaoh's rock antics.

The calypso scene, when the brothers are reunited with Joseph, is particularly charming. And the scene with Potiphar's wife is sassy with a light touch.

For those who want literary depth, theatrical sophistication or a probe into the deeper ironies of Joseph as a historical personage, they won't get it here. But as a contemporary - accessible historical primer of Joseph to mass audiences and especially for school-age youth, this show — which moves quickly, thanks a lot to the sparkling enthusiasm of narrator-character Robin Boudreau — is right on target.

# Toronto singer is invited to perform solo at Masada

JERUSALEM —

To be invited by the deputy minister to the office of then-Prime Minister Menachem Begin to be the first musical performer to sing solo at Masada is an extraordinary honor.

**Toronto's Jennie Eisenstein, a survivor of Auschwitz, recognized as one of the foremost authorities of Jewish songs of resistance during the Holocaust, was the recipient of this honor.**

Due to technical difficulties, having to do with acoustics, she was not able to actually perform at Masada, and received an official apology from Begin's deputy minister, Dov Shilansky.

Eisenstein remained, however, an honored invitee to one of the most significant international testimonies to remarkable Jewish courage: the World Assembly to Commemorate Jewish Resistance and Combat During World War II, held recently in Jerusalem.

There she assisted Canadian delegation chairman Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut in laying a wreath at Yad Vashem in tribute to the multitudes of Jewish heroes who died fighting Hitler, whether it be in the ghettos, with the partisans, or in the ranks of the Allied armies.

Seventeen countries were represented at this assembly. Not only were the surviving leaders of Jewish resistance organizations featured as speakers, but non-Jewish generals from the various Allied armies who had fought Hitler in World War II and soldiers who had liberated the death camps, also spoke. Remarkable tales of heroism, behind as well as against the German lines, were the emotional highlight of the convention.

At Yad Vashem, a military band and choir, consisting in total of over 200 musicians, provided the main body of music as the backdrop to a moving speech by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

**Then, Nechama Lifschitz, a foremost interpreter of Russian Jewish folk music, who was allowed to leave the USSR for Israel 14 years ago, sang two solo numbers.**

**While Eisenstein was unable to perform at Masada, a multivisual electronic sound-light show was presented there, narrated by Yigael Yadin.**

Eisenstein described this convention as a follow-up to the Washington Holocaust gathering held last April, at which she performed. "Both were important, but there was a difference between the two," she says.

While the Washington conference was an acknowledgement by the outside world, from President Reagan on down, that the Holocaust took place and that all the survivors were heroes in their own ways, Eisenstein believes that the Jerusalem assembly represented Israel's acknowledging this acknowledgement — not in the role of helpless victim but in the role of ultimate fighting hero.

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# Judaic treasures bound for Miami's Bass Museum

**WASHINGTON —** More than 350 objects from the largest and one of the most important Judaica collections in the world will be on display at the Bass Museum of art in Miami Beach Jan. 21 to March 18.

The Precious Legacy: Judaic Treasures from the Czechoslovak State Collections, is now showing at the Evans Gallery at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History here until Jan. 1.

**Even the black and white photographs of the ancient Torah scrolls and their adornments that the Nazis had seized in central Europe for use in ridiculing Jewish history, brings tears to many observers at the exhibit.**

In the exhibit are synagogue furnishings dating back three or more centuries. Included are Torah curtains and mantels of silk brocade and velvet, silver Torah crowns, shields and finials, boxes for alms and eternal lights of brass, silver and pewter.

Also shown are objects seized by the Nazis at Jewish homes, including kiddush cups, candlesticks, seder plates, Chanukah lamps and even a circumsion chair from 1805. Hebrew manuscripts, books and paintings, as well as a collection of violins, are included.

Marking the Nazi horror in the years 1941-45 are objects denoting movement of Jews to Terezin (Theresienstadt) that include a child's deportation case, drawings and other items.

"The objects," the Smithsonian says, "illustrate the vibrancy and continuity of European Jewish life from the Middle Ages to the 20th century."

The objects were preserved by an ironic twist of fate. The Holocaust destroyed 90% of European Jewry's material culture.

**However, the Nazis preserved the cultural artifacts of the Jewish communities in Bohemia and Moravia and elsewhere with the intention of creating "a museum of an extinct race" in Prague.**

**94,000 items stored**

In documenting their "final solution of the Jewish question," the Nazis, by 1945, had amassed more than 94,000 items as "evidence to ridicule an extinct race." The items filled eight historic buildings in Prague's Jewish quarter and 50 warehouses throughout the city.

Historian Salomon Hugo Lieben (1881-1942) created, in 1906, the Organization for the Founding and Maintenance of a Jewish Museum in Prague.

But in 1942, Reinhard Heydrich, Hitler's chief officer for Bohemia and Moravia, and SS Untersturmfuhrer Earl Rahm, designed a program that would completely distort the museum's purpose of preserving human culture.

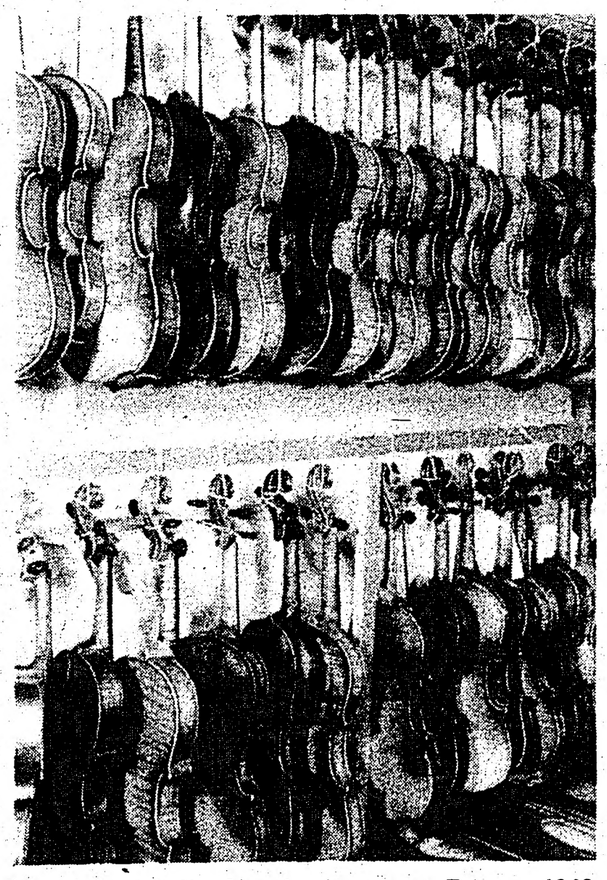
A Nazi charter established a "central Jewish museum" to collect and store Jewish possessions of both historic and artistic value.

**Staff members of the Jewish Museum were forced to participate in an Official Planning Commission for the new Nazi museum and in the end, virtually all of the Jewish curators were sent to their deaths, the Smithsonian reports.**

In 1949, Prague's Jewish Community Council offered as a gift to the Czechoslovak government both the historic monuments of Prague's Jewish quarter and the thousands of objects in its buildings. The State Jewish Museum was established April 4, 1950.

The purpose of the exhibition is to reveal to the United States for the first time how this vast and important collection of Jewish ceremonial and folk art came into existence and to show how the rich historical, artistic and cultural history of European Jewry is preserved in these objects.

The entrance to the first gallery presents one of the outstanding textiles in the exhibition. The richly embroidered 19th-century Torah curtain from Salzburg, Austria, features delicately-sewn griffins in metallic and silk threads and contains a dedicatory inscription to "Honor thy father and mother."



**Confiscated violins hanging in storage. Prague, 1943.**

The fabric works in the collections, many of them the oldest Judaic textiles in existence, illustrate not only the special artistic attention given to liturgical vestments, but also the importance of embroidery as an art form in Bohemia and the widespread participation of Jewish artisans in the European textile trades.

**Some of the earliest Judaic objects still in existence are associated with the period of the Renaissance. One of the most historically important is a 16th-century flag, embroidered with lengthy inscriptions from the Prophets and Writings, that was carried by the Messianic pretender, Solomon Molko, on a mission to visit Emperor Charles V at Regensburg.**

The primary features of Jewish community life — worship, learning and benevolence — are explored in three sections of a gallery which opens with a photograph of the clock tower above the Old Town Hall at the entrance to the Jewish quarter.

A smaller Bohemian clock of carved, painted and parcel-gilt wood, dated 1870, introduces the section on worship services in the synagogue.

In this exhibit section, a reconstruction of an ark is modeled after those in Prague's historic synagogues. There is also a reconstruction of a bimah, with an ornate 18th-century flowering vine grillwork that is a hallmark of both religious and secular architecture in Prague.

Objects created to adorn the Torah are on view, including beautiful vestments, textile scroll binders, Torah pointers and silver shields, crowns and finials.

Prague was among the world's greatest centres of Jewish education. Printed books were particularly significant because Prague was home to the first Hebrew press north of the Alps, established in 1512. Artifacts representing Jewish scholarship include the oldest known Hebrew mathematical treatise, as well as two of the first Hebrew books printed in Prague — a Pentateuch and a book of Sabbath and other blessings.

Annual festival celebrations mark the changing of the seasons and important historical events. Objects are included that are associated with Rosh Hashanah and the festivals of Succoth, Chanukah, Purim and Passover. There are also ritual and secular objects associated with daily life, birth and marriage celebrations, including a cradle decorated with rosettes, popular motifs in Bohemian and Moravian folk art.

An important section of the exhibition relates to Jewish laws of burial and mourning.

The final section of the exhibition is a marked contrast to the rest of the exhibition. A foreboding arch leads to a stark gallery depicting the concentration camp at Terezin where 140,000 Jews were sent to await deportation to the death camps of Eastern Europe.

The prisoners at Terezin created ceremonial objects from scrap materials to keep their Jewish rituals alive. The crude religious objects made by inmates of the camp are a sharp contrast to the rich and beautiful pieces in the other galleries. By recalling, in the midst of its annihilation, the heights to which the Jewish community had soared, the exhibition underscores the magnitude of its destruction.

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## Museums, markets mustn't be missed

# *Despite its dirt and noise, Cairo still has lots to offer*

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

**CAIRO, Egypt —**

Without mincing words, Cairo is a mess.

This city, once eminently attractive, has fallen on hard times. It is dreadfully overcrowded, clogged with endless traffic, infernally noisy, and quite dirty.

Yet Cairo has redeeming features which a tourist should surely investigate.

**There is the Egyptian Museum, which contains the world's most important collection of native antiquities. And, of course, the pyramids are a perennial draw.**

**If shopping is what you like, the Khan Khalili market is perfectly exotic. If classic Islamic architecture is your forte, Cairo will not disappoint you.**

One fact should be borne in mind before you embark on your trip to Egypt. If at all possible, go when the summer heat dies down. The worst months are between April and November . . . days characterized by 30 degrees plus centigrade temperatures and unbearably high humidity.

The autumn and winter months are, by and large, pleasant and entirely suitable for touring this humming metropolis — the biggest on the African continent.

Although the taxi drivers will do everything in their power to fleece you, the warmth and hospitality of the people on the street will more than compensate for their rapacity.

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Located on Tahrir Square, almost next to the Nile Hilton Hotel, the Egyptian museum is undoubtedly outstanding. Unfortunately, it is in pretty poor shape, an apt reflection of the country.

But not even dim lighting, crumbling walls and unimaginative staging can deter from the absolute brilliance of the exhibits — which range from awesome statues to gaily painted pharaohnic coffins.

There are thousands of items which merit close perusal, but a few should not be missed under any circumstances.

The statues of Ra'hopte, a priest and general, and Nofret, his wife, are very life-like and astonishingly well preserved. Also impressive is the wooden statue of Sheykh el-Beled, with his inlaid eyes of copper, white quartz and rock crystal.

The white marble statue of Tuthmosis, kneeling with a vase in his hand, is a subtle piece of sculpture, and the miniature figures of Prince Mesehti's soldiers are really quaint.

As pretty as all these exhibits are, nothing compares with the second-floor collection of Tutankhamun, the boy king.

**From his famous gold mask and ceremonial gilded shield, to his ivory game boards and brass trumpets, Tutankhamun's relics are a wonder to behold. Can there be anything more ethereally beautiful in this universe?**

## Massive pyramids of Giza

Fanciers of the macabre would have no doubt enjoyed browsing in the mummy room. Sadly, it is closed to the public, and has been ever since the late Anwar Sadat decreed that the dead should not be the object of ogling.

But the pyramids of Giza, unreal at first sight, are not restricted in any way. By taxi, it is a 40-minute ride from the museum.

**The Great Pyramid, perhaps the most massive stone structure that exists, inspires respect, as does the Sphinx, with its quizzical, longing look.**

The area around which these historic structures stand is filled with hustlers trying to peddle horse and camel rides, drinks, books and who knows what else. Although they tend to be persistent and prefer the hard-sell approach, they have their uses.

Wander over to the stores below the Sphinx and you will find a treasure trove of Egyptian handicrafts, some exquisitely kitschy, some worthy of any self-respecting shop. This traveler purchased a lovely copper and brass decorative plate of a chariot and rider for $45 which would simply be unavailable in this country.

At the Khan Khalili, you can buy such plates as well, but for a steeper price. You can also pick up carpets, gallabias (which can double as pajamas) and a wide assortment of knick-knacks, the quality of which no one can possibly guarantee.

The market is not just for buying. It is for browsing and for people-watching and for inbibing the heady smells of a raucous Middle Eastern souk.

A few of the merchants here can become provokingly friendly in the extreme, so beware of handshakes which abruptly turn into seamy, steamy propositions.

If the worldliness of Khan Khalili overwhelms you, stroll over to Al Azhar, an ancient seat of learning and a popular place of worship.

Completed in 971 by the Fatimid dynasty, Al Azhar is considered one of the finest examples of Islamic architecture in the Middle East. So, too, is the Ibn Toulun mosque, thought to be the oldest in Cairo.

Across the courtyard, you can visit the Anderson House, which gives a visitor a good idea how a prosperous family in Cairo lived in the 17th century.

**Commanding a panoramic view of Cairo, the Citadel is on the slopes of the brown, dusty Mukattam Hills. Started in the 12th century by Salah ed-Din, and rebuilt by Mohammed Ali, one of Egypt's more colorful rulers, the Citadel is certainly worthy of a visit.**

At present, it is being refurbished. But construction poses no insurmountable inconvenience.

**Cairo at night, with its elbow-to-elbow strollers, generates an excitement which few cities can offer. The city is vibrantly alive until about 11 p.m., and very safe. Muggings are virtually unknown.**

There are no shortage of restaurants and cafes, but the tastiest food is usually found in good hotels like the Sheraton and Hilton. If you value your health, you should not ordinarily frequent fast food stalls on the streets.

**Al Azhar Square in the centre of Cairo.**


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# Travel

# *Disney World doesn't have monopoly on the marvels to be found in Florida*

By
FRANK RASKY

**FORT MYERS, Fla. —** Every visitor to Florida knows of Walt's wonderful creations on display at Orlando in Disney World.

Surprisingly few, however, are aware of the marvels to be found here on the west coast of Florida invented by that other American genius, Thomas Alva Edison.

**On your Florida vacation, make sure you pay a visit to the Edison Winter Home, Museum and Tropical Gardens.**

Just a 2-hour drive from Miami, the 11-acre estate is located at 2350 McGregor Blvd. in Fort Myers, and the hour-long guided tour is a fascinating educational entertainment worth every penny of the $4 admission fee.

You'll be able to identify this tourist attraction by the bizarre banyan tree stretching like some monster octopus at the entrance of the gardens. It was a tiny sapling, just 2 inches in diameter and 4 feet tall, when Edison transplanted it from Calcutta, India in 1925.

Now it's a grotesque — more than 400 feet in diameter, the biggest banyan tree in North America, and still spreading its so-called aerial roots and limbs.

**That botanical giant is just one of the unique spectacles you'll see commemorating the Wizard of Menlo Park, who is regarded as a kind of patron saint in Fort Myers.**

From Feb. 8 to 19, they'll be staging the annual Edison Pageant of Light. It consists of a series of musical, theatrical and sports events climaxed by a grand parade of light.

But you don't have to wait until then to get your fill of Edison memorabilia. In 1886, the 38-year-old inventor first came to the sleepy little cowtown of Fort Myers (named after Florida's Jewish chief army quartermaster, Col. Abraham Myers) intent on using the thick stands of bamboo along the Caloosahatchee River as filament in his new incandescent electric light bulbs.

He made it his permanent winter home-cum-laboratory, and kept returning until his death in 1931 at the age of 84.

**A good many of the 1,097 patents he devised during his lifetime are on display there, as well as an intriguing number of ahead-of-his-time Edisonian touches. They include:**

**Monster banyan tree, more than 400 feet in diameter, stretching outside of Edison Winter Home in Fort Myers, is a Florida landmark.**

• His phonograph machine that first recorded the nursery rhyme, Mary Had A Little Lamb.

• The first stock market ticker tape, intercom system and automatically lit closets he invented.

• Light bulbs he perfected which have been burning 12 hours a day since he first made them.

• America's first prefab house, which he had built of spruce in Maine, and then sent to Fort Myers by schooner in 1885.

• Florida's first modern outdoor swimming pool, reinforced with bamboo, and still intact.

**The most absorbing part of the tour is the insight it gives of a quirky but brilliant eccentric. For instance, Edison never stuck his toe in the water during his entire sojourn in Florida. He had an aversion to water and believed that removing one's clothing produced insomnia.**

He likewise deplored physical exercise. He believed in mental exercise only, nothing that God gave us the human body simply as a repository for our brains, and since we only use a tenth of our brain, why waste time developing mere muscle power?

A sickly child who was kept in isolation by his lighthouse keeper father, he had only three months of formal schooling. Yet, as the more than 10,000 volumes in his office library indicate, he was a voluminous reader, who claimed he could sight-read an ordinary book in 15 minutes flat.

**He was also a lover of classical music, although, since an accident at the age of 12, he was virtually deaf, with no hearing in his left ear and just a little in his right ear.**

Perhaps the most extraordianry exhibit on display is the wooden frame of the phonograph he invented. You can still see Edison's teeth marks where he bit into it.

By biting the frame, vibrations of the recordings were transmitted through his teeth to his inner ear, thus permitting him to hear despite his deafness.

Imprinted under a statue of the great man in his chemical laboratory are several of the inspirational maxims he coined. They include:

• "Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration."

• "There's a way to do it better — find it."

• "There is no such thing as a failure. A failure could only be a finger post pointing the way to success."

**Edison, alas, ultimately had to concede that last slogan was not quite true. In co-operation with two of his wintering Florida cronies, Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone, he spent a fortune making rubber tires from the latex of the 12-foot goldenrod plants he cultivated in his tropical garden.**

Regrettably, it cost him $2 to provide a pound of synthetic rubber, which one could import at 20 cents a pound.

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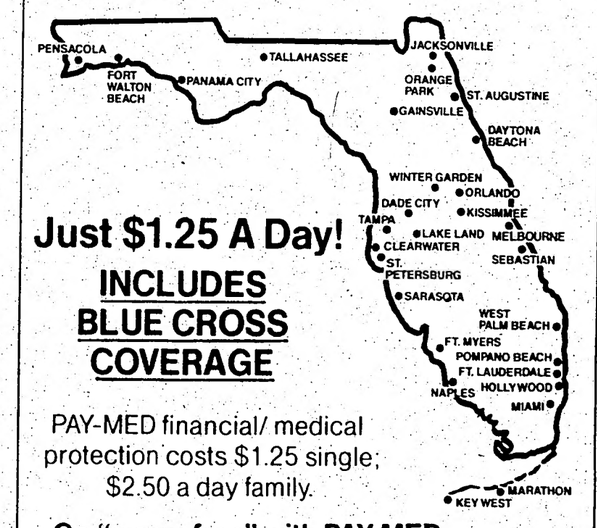


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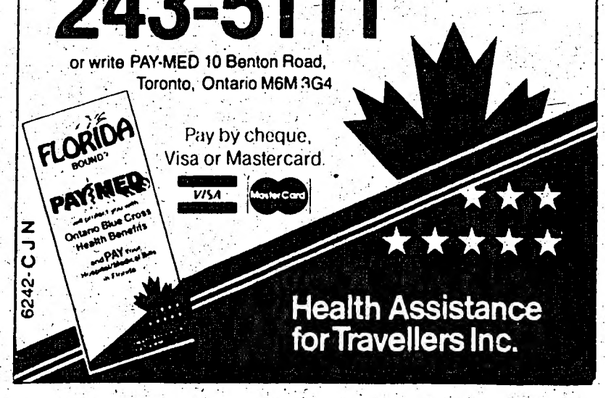


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*The old takes on a new look*

# New Orleans getting act together for World's Fair

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

NEW ORLEANS — New Orleans seems like a giant construction site these days, and no wonder.

**With the Louisiana World Exposition less than six months away, New Orleans is sprucing itself up.**

Around the historic French Quarter and the Mississippi River front, streets are being repaired and beautified, hotels are going up and buildings are being restored and renovated.

Within the fair grounds, decrepit warehouses are being restored.

**Scheduled to run from May 12 to Nov. 11, 1984, the world's fair is expected to draw 11 million visitors — 60% from within a day's drive of the city, 25% from further distances in the U.S. and 8% from Canada and other foreign destinations.**

Theme of the fair is The World of Rivers: Fresh Water As A Source Of Life. In the words of a spokesman, the fair will create "an environment where ideas, accomplishments, cultural traditions and technologies may be exchanged and solutions explored for maintaining the world's precious supply of fresh water."

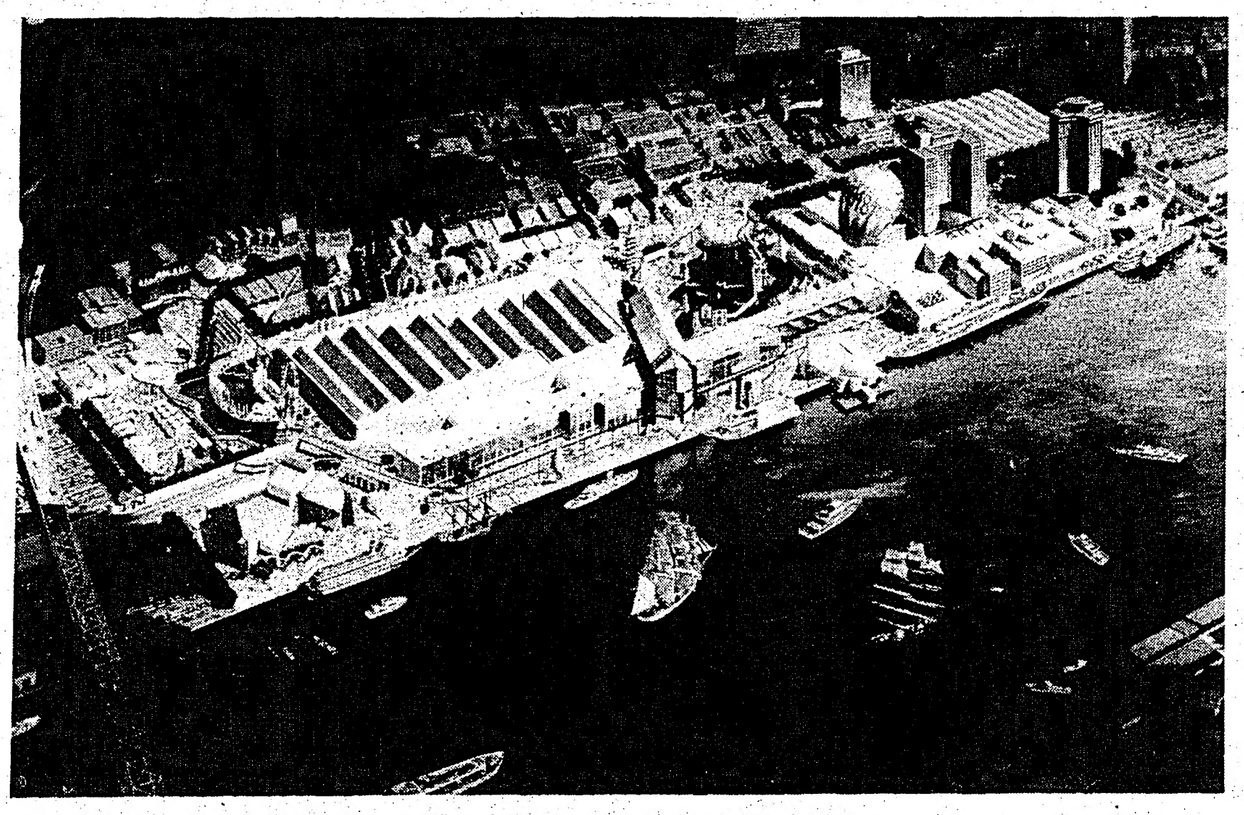
It will be an appropriate theme, given the fact that the United Nations has designated the 1980s as the Decade of International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation.

Eleven nations — and the Vatican — will participate. Among the countries are the U.S., Canada, France, Italy, Japan and China.

The Canadian pavilion, not surprisingly, will feature an exhibit about the effect of acid rain on fresh water.

Fourteen U.S. states will be represented at the fair, as well as major corporations and industries.

A towering offshore oil rig planted on land, sponsored by the Petroleum Industries pavilion, will enable visitors to get a close-up view of the inner workings of a typical sea rig. Oil, as visitors may quickly find out, powers Louisiana's economy.



A model of the New Orleans 1984 World's Fair.

## Towering off shore oil rig planted

**Occupying 82 acres on the Mississippi adjacent to New Orleans' business district, the $350-million fair will be permeated by an intricate network of lagoons, streams and aquaducks.**

**Visitors will enter the exposition — the first in Louisiana in 100 years — through two huge gates, framed by gigantic human and animal shapes that evoke the spirit of rivers.**

Alongside the fair's border, opposite the Mississippi, will be the Wonderwall — a half-mile fantasy that has been described as "a Mardi Gras parade standing still."

To be more precise, the Wonderwall will consist of intricate and colorful structural shapes and forms rising up to three stories high, and will enclose fountains, aviaries, entertainment and concession areas, and the like.

**There will be plenty of entertainment, as well may be imagined, in the 12-story International Amphitheatre. Twenty thousand hours of rock, pop, jazz, bluegrass, ballet and so on have been arranged. On top of that will be marching bands, magicians, jugglers, mimes and clowns.**

No one will go hungry. There will be some 75 concessions and restaurants, serving up a blend of French, Spanish, Italian and African food, reflecting the predominant cultures that make up the region.

You'll be able to eat such Louisiana delicacies as jambalays, seafood gumbo and smoked hot sausage.

Visitors will ride the Gondola, a rapid transit system that will take them on a scenic ride above the Mississippi to the other bank. During and after the fair — which is supposed to emphasize Louisiana's appeal as a tourist destination — the Gondola will serve as a major new means of transportation for commuters.

The fair, which is supposed to generate a $2.6 billion windfall for Louisiana's economy, will be open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Concessions and attractions, however, will close three hours later.

One-day adult passes retail for $15. Two day passes are $28. Prices for seniors (55-over) and children (4-11) are $14 for one day. Children under 3 are admitted free.

**Fair organizers have published a vacation planner which previews New Orleans, Louisiana, the Mississippi and the Gulf coast and, of course, the exposition.**

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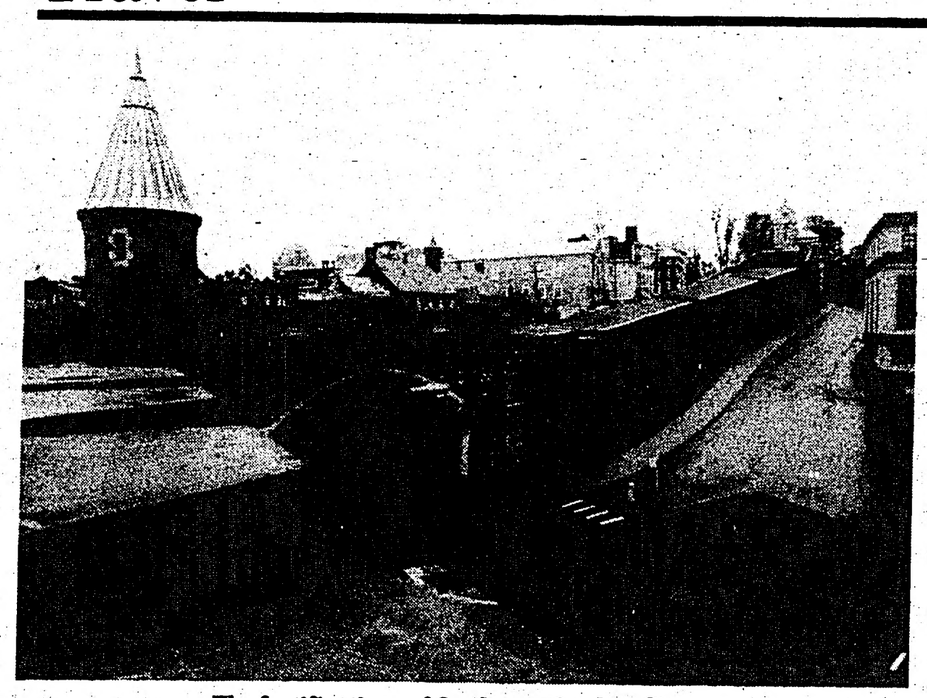

The fortifications of Quebec at Quebec City.

## The gates of Quebec City give it a European flavor

QUEBEC CITY —
The historic stone walls and gates of Quebec City are unique in North America and give the city a European flavor which has enthralled visitors for generations.

Quebec's first fortifications were built by the French in the 17th century to protect the administrative centre of a colony stretching as far south as Louisiana. After the fall of New France in 1760, the British strengthened and expanded the fortifications against possible invasions from the United States.

When British troops left Quebec a century later, the new Canadian government yielded to public sentiment and authorized the demolition of the city gates.

The walls would have suffered a similar fate later but for the intervention of the Earl of Dufferin, governor general at the time. He proposed a plan to preserve the historic walls and beautify the city without impeding urban development.

Today, Parks Canada maintains the walls and reconstructed gates as the Fortifications of Quebec National Historic Site.

For more information about Canada's national historic parks and sites, contact Parks Canada Information, 1141 Route de l'Eglise, Ste. Foy, Quebec, G1V 4H5 or Parks Canada, Ottawa, K1A 1G2.

## Bell spent summers at Baddeck which reminded him of home

HALIFAX —
Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, spent the last 37 summers of his life-at Baddeck, Nova Scotia on Cape Breton, 75 km west of Sydney. Baddeck reminded Bell of his native Scotland and he worked there on a variety of projects.

Today, Alexander Graham Bell National Historic Park contains exhibits, films and models of Bell's life and work. Some of the items on display are models of early telephones, kites, aeronautical equipment, and a vacuum jacket, the forerunner of the iron lung.

The national historic park contains three major exhibit areas. The first hall, Alexander Graham Bell — Teacher and Inventor, tells the story of Bell's early life and unique education.

Experimenters Hall houses a 100-seat theatre where films recounting Bell's accomplishments are shown continuously.

Hydrofoil Hall contains the remains of the Bell-Baldwin HD-4 hydrofoil craft, along with a full scale reproduction built by Parks Canada staff.

The park, in the village of Baddeck just off the Trans-Canada Highway, is open to the public year-round.

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# N.Y.'s Jewish cultural attractions include museums, galleries, theatres

By ROSE KLEINER

NEW YORK —

For those heading to New York City during the winter holidays, a number of Jewish cultural attractions will be of special interest.

**Among the theatrical offerings currently running is Sholem Aleichem's It's Hard To Be A Jew at the Folksbiene Playhouse [755-2231]. This classic comedy is about two students, a Jew and a non-Jew, who change identities for one year.**

Of interest to fans of Yiddish culture is Let There Be Joy, at the Norman Thomas Theatre (686-3535). This is a new Yiddish musical cavalcade of acting, dancing and singing with Ben Bonus and Mina Bern.

A rich array of exhibits awaits the visitor to Manhattan. Two interesting exhibits are also on view in the Bronx and Brooklyn.

A photographic display at the Center for Holocaust Studies in Brooklyn (338-6494) is particularly poignant. The Liberators is composed of photographs taken by American soldiers who liberated concentration camps at the end of World War II. The centre also has on view a permanent exhibit of artifacts, documents and memorabilia of Holocaust survivors and their liberators.

At the Judaica Museum in the Bronx (548-1006) one can see ceremonial objects dating back to the 17th century which reflect the social, cultural and religious life of the period. A library of books going back to the 16th century is also part of the collection.

Collographs and paper collages of abstract images based on traditional Jewish texts are part of the Text and Texture show by Sandra Bowden and Beth Haber at the Abraham Goodman House in Manhattan (362-8060).

**A Vanished World is the title of a photograph exhibit by Roman Vishniac at the International Center of Photography [860-1783]. A display of drawings, paintings and sculpture expressing the suffering of Hitler's victims, by survivor Valerie Jakober Furth, is on view at the City University Graduate Center Library [790-4331].**

A retrospective show of the works of Zeev Raban (1970-1980) can be seen at the Yeshiva University Museum in upper Manhattan (960-5390). Included are paintings, biblical illustrations, ceremonial objects and a slide presentation.

The Brookdale Center, at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (674-5300) is calling its current exhibition Eighteen Artists at One West Fourth Street. This happens to be the address of the Brookdale Center, and features only 18 works, sculpture and paintings by as many artists.

The group includes such famous names as Jacques Lipschitz. Ben Shahn and Jack Lavine.

If gallery hoping is not your cup of tea, you can head for the Jewish Museum of Fifth Ave. (860-1888), where you will find four fine exhibits.

Chanukah may already be over, but Fantasy and Form in the Chanukah Lamp is an exhibit that will last right into March, 1984. Menorot, from various centuries and in a rich and imaginative variety of forms, constitute the subject of this show.

A triple anniversary in the history of Danish Jewry is the topic of Kings and Citizens: The History of the Jews in Denmark 1622-1983. One of the celebrations is the rescue of all Danish Jews during the Holocaust.

**Other exhibits at the Jewish Museum include Israel in Antiquity: Biblical Archeology, Drawings of Anna Ticho, and A Fantastic Voyage. The latter consists of original art from over 35 children's books on Jewish themes, with comments by the artists.**

## *It's a wild, wacky world during Art Deco Festival*

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**It's all part of the Art Deco Weekend Festival they've been holding here for years, and which attracts more than 150,000 sightseers.**

If that isn't wacky enough for your taste, there are other novel Florida festivals that may be more appealing.

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The two-story building has doubled in size to 380,000 square feet with nearly 200,000 square feet as part of the new expansion.

Biggest event at the centre is the newly expanded Air Space Museum, which traces the progress of aviation from its beginning into the space age. Now covering 82,500 square feet with over 500 exhibits, the expansion makes it one of the more comprehensive air space museums in the United States.

It features an extensive collection of photographs, documents, early day aircraft, model airplanes, "hands-on" exhibits, 3,000-square-foot research library and the Thomas Stafford Collection of space memorabilia.

Early aircraft includes a 1912 Glenn Curtis Pusher, 1929 American Eagle and a Wylie Post early plane. Some of the "hands-on" exhibits are Link Trainers (flight simulators), an F-11 jet cockpit ejection module and a telescope missile spotter.

**One of the largest museums and best known is the Omniplex, one of only three of four family oriented, "hands-on" science museums in the United States. The Omniplex with over 200 exhibits, features the earthquake simulator, the Enchanted Tree, a moon swing and the Bicycle Wheel Gyro.**

The largest African collection in this part of the country is the Sanamu African Gallery. Its sizable collection of masks and statues represent various rituals from many tribes; and it features an extensive collection of traditional arts, crafts and temporary exhibits from sub-Saharan Africa.

Another of the center's museums that evolved from Kirkpatrick's personal interest is the Navy Gallery. Many items in the collection are from his personal adventures in the U.S. Navy, from which he retired as a rear admiral. Other contributions are model ships from Oklahoma City groups, and art from the Navy Museum in Washington, D.C.

Indian art in Oklahoma is prevalent. But, a museum such as the Center of the American Indian Gallery featuring art and artifacts from a wide geographic area and multitude of tribes is not common.

The gallery covers Indian culture from prehistoric pottery to contemporary Indian paintings.

**Sponsored by the Japan-America Society, the Oriental Gallery has one of the largest and most unusual ivory collections in the country. The ivory represents a large number of Oriental groups as well as European. The wood block prints, which to the naked eye look like watercolors, cover the 17th to 20th centuries and is considered a large and significant collection of its type.**

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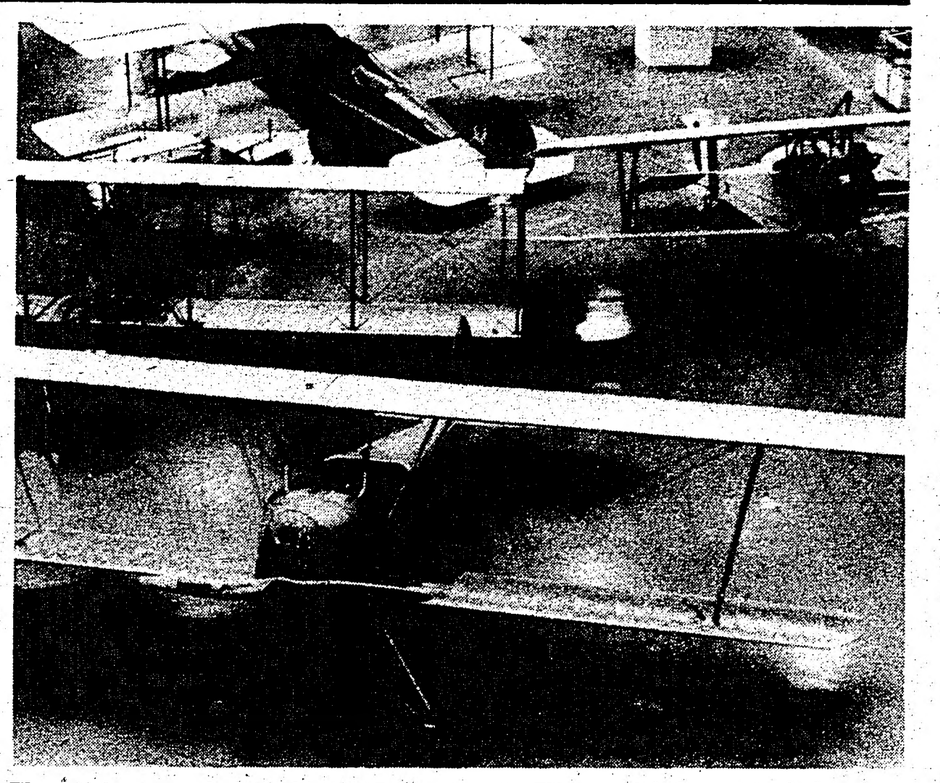

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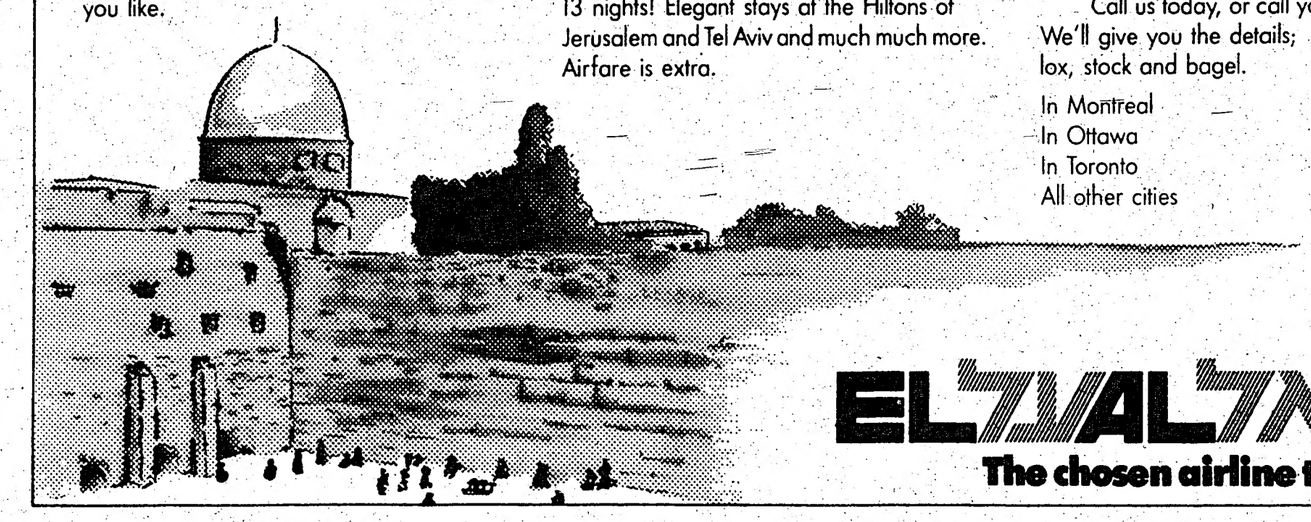

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# Super softball team needed for Maccabiah Games

**sports scene**

By GARY COHEN

**A Canadian softball team** will participate in the 1985 Maccabiah Games "providing enough quality athletes can be found," according to Ontario Maccabi representative Paul Brownstein.

Brownstein told Sports Scene that Maccabi Canada officials have already begun assembling a softball club that they intend to send to the Israeli Games. "Two of the better softball pitchers in Canada," including top Ontario hurler Mark Benahim, have been selected to form the nucleus of the team, Brownstein said.

In addition to gathering team members from various other sources, he said, Maccabi Canada is already also looking at the possibility that B'nai B'rith leagues across the country may provide some of the high calibre ball players needed to assure a competitive squad.

**A 14-man American team, sponsored and organized by B'nai B'rith International in cooperation with the U.S. Committee Sports for Israel, has already officially entered the 12th Maccabiahs. The first U.S. softball team to compete at the Games, players will wear jerseys in competition that carry both U.S. and BB designations.**

The BB's 400 Hillel Foundations on college campuses across the U.S. plan to help recruit applicants for the team and serve as a clearinghouse for information on all Maccabiah Games tryouts.

The expected cost of sending the U.S. team is $60,000.

Softball first became a Maccabiah sport at the Games in 1981. Ten teams entered that year with a similar field expected for 1985.

**Maccabi Canada has begun taking applications for the Canadian softball team. Any Ontario players seeking a spot on the squad can get consideration by contacting Brownstein at [416] 223-6819.**

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**Three Americans will be** among seven athletes inducted next year into the International Jewish Sports Hall of Fame in Netanya, Israel, Joseph Siegman, chairman of the executive board of the Hall announced last week.

Abel Kiviat, a silver medal winner for the U.S. in the 1,500-metres at the 1912 Olympics, boxer Maxie Rosenbloom, a former world light heavyweight champion and George J. Gulack, a 1932 Olympic gold medalist in gymnastics are the Americans who will be inducted into the Hall during a meeting to be held at the Wingate School of Physical Education in Netanya.

Maccabi representatives from around the world will be meeting at Wingate in preparation for the 12th Maccabiah Games which will be held in Israel in the summer of 1985.

The inductees were chosen by the Hall's international selection committee, chaired by Haskell Cohen, sports editor for the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, to join the 66 other Jewish athletes (37 from the U.S.) selected during the last decade.

Non-American selectees included Faina Melnik of Russia, 1977 World Cup champion in the discus and a former world record holder; Paul Neumann of Austria who won an Olympic gold medal in the 500-metre freestyle swimming event at the 1896 Olympic Games; Alexandre Lippman, a 5-time Olympic medalist (two gold, two silver, one bronze) for France through the 1908, 1912, 1920 and 1924 Olympics; and Sir Ivor Goldsmith Montagu of England who served as president of the British table tennis association from 1922-31 and from 1958-65, as well as president of the international table tennis federation from 1926-62.

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**Last week, Arnold 'Red' Auerbach** ended months of speculation by making it official and stepping down as the general manager of the Boston Celtics, the basketball dynasty he helped build as coach, general manager and president over the last 33 years.

Auerbach, 66, a member of both the basketball and Jewish sports Halls of Fame, led the Celtics to nine NBA titles, including an unprecedented eight straight, as a coach from 1950-1966. Before moving on to become an executive for the Boston club, he set the NBA's overall won-lost coaching record of 1,037-548. Only five other coaches in NBA history have ever won more than 500 games.

As Celtics general manager and president, Auerbach saw Boston win another five NBA championships.

Auerbach said a desire to "ease up" was the reason for his departure as Boston GM. He will continue as Celtics president and says he will spend more time scouting.

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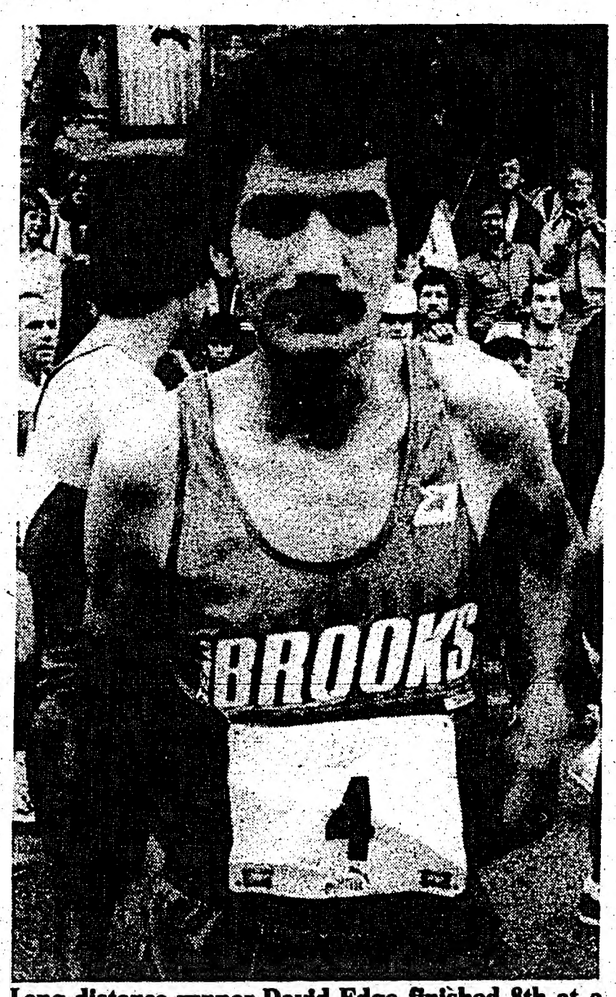
**Marathoner David Edge, 28,** of Ancaster, Ont., recently finished eighth overall at the 42 km. Fukuoka (Japan) International, won by Toshihiko Seko of the host nation.




**Long-distance runner David Edge finished 8th at a recent marathon in Japan. [Ronny Shinder photo]**

Competing in a field of 150 runners, Edge was hoping to eclipse Torontonian Jerome Drayton's Canadian marathon record of 2:10.09, but fell short with a decent 2:11.58 showing.

Edge finished over three minutes behind Seko's winning time of 2:08.52.

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**A 1-0 loss** to a strong side from West Germany in an Olympic qualifying match played at Tel Aviv's Bloomfield Stadium recently crushed Israeli hopes of sending a soccer team to the 1984 Games in Los Angeles.

Hamburg striker Dieter Schatzschneider's goal at the 5-minute mark in front of 20,000 pro-Israeli spectators assured the win for West Germany as well as an Olympic berth.

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**Golfer Amy Alcott** of the U.S. ended up in ninth spot on the recently released list of LPGA 1983 money winners having collected over $142,000 in prize money this season.

JoAnne Carner topped the ladies' money winner's list with more than $284,000 in 1983 earnings on the tour.

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**Debbie Berger, 16, of Thornhill** has been chosen to replace judo champion Mark Berger (no relation) of Winnipeg as a member on the Canadian Maccabi Pan Am Games team which will travel to Sao Paulo, Brazil later this month.

A track and field athlete with national and international competitive experience, Berger will enter the 100-metre hurdles, 100- and 200-metre sprints and the long jump at the Pan Ams.

Mark Berger decided to forego the trip to South America in favor of training with the Canadian national team in Marseilles in preparation for the 1984 Olympic Games.

The Pan Ams take place Dec. 23-30.

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**A team representing** the new B'nai B'rith Oldtimers hockey league recently got its first taste of tournament action at a mini-tourney featuring eight teams from across the province held just south of Lindsay in Little Britain, Ont.

The squad representing the 6-team BB league which began operation this year lost its opening round match to the tournament's second-seeded Orano club by a 4-3 score before dropping a heartbreaking 2-1 decision to Millbrook. The BBers outshot Millbrook 28-6 in that contest.

In the B group consolation final, BB bounced back to down Peterborough Oldtimers 4-2.

The BBers were short seven regulars for the Little Britain tourney, including defenceman David Kosoy who this week is playing with the world champion Metro Oldtimers (coached by Don "Doc" Lyons) in Whitby against a team of Soviet players that took part in the historic 1972 Canada-Russia series, according to league representative Howard Shapiro.

Shapiro added that the win over Peterborough and the strong showing against Millbrook, despite being shorthanded, bolstered the BBers' confidence that they can compete against quality senior teams.

The Little Britain tourney was a warmup for the BB Oldtimers who will be traveling to Lake Placid April 5-8 to take part in a major 4-day, 52-team event that will feature clubs from across the U.S. and Canada.

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**Forwards John Schacter** and Billy Berger helped Maccabiah Red Wings dominate the opposition in two games last week during a busy stretch in the B'nai B'rith hockey league B Division schedule.

Schacter scored six times, including Maccabiah's first five goals, and added an assist as Red Wings routed Leonard Mayzel Red Hawks 9-2. Phil Bedder accounted for both Leonard Mayzel goals in the game.

Earlier, Berger netted two and set-up a pair to lead Red Wings easily past Forrestdale Sting 7-1.

Elsewhere in B Division, Sting dropped their second decision of the week to Don Mills Wasters by default; Sam Alter's netminding and Shael Weinberg's goal allowed Canyon Crush to sneak by Wasters 1-0; Crush lost a heartbreaker as Dave Axelrod's goahead goal gave Don Mills Axeman a 2-1 decision; and Paul Rosen scored two goals to pace Toronto Freedom Feathers to a 5-2 win over Toronto Freedom Blue Notes.

Still in B Division, David Kosoy and Jeff Streisfield both had two goals to lift Toronto Freedom Realtors past Upper Canada Bruins 5-3; Moe Natcher scored twice in the last two minutes, the second goal coming with one second left in the game, to give Bruins a 2-2 tie against Canyon Kings; Mel Stein netted the winner as Kings downed Forrestdale Flyers 3-1; and Barry Goldman scored three times and Paul Silverberg had two goals and two assists as Leonard Mayzel Black Hawks beat Manor Metropolitan Wolverines 7-2.

In C Division, a disputed goal by Jay Charendoff stood up as the winner in Forestdale Blades 3-2 victory over Don Mills Princes.

The game, which saw what would have been the tying goal by Princes called back after Don Mills unsuccessfully argued that Charendoff's marker never crossed the goal line, broke a Princes-Blades first-place deadlock in the C Division standings.

Elsewhere in C Division, David Kershner had the winning goal as Toronto Freedom Miners stopped Toronto Freedom Ultis 5-2; Phil Naiman scored two goals and Brian Buddiwich had the winner as Maccabiah Bruins overcame a 2-0 deficit to trip Mixed Marauders 3-2; Monty Sherriff netted a pair to lead Toronto Freedom Plumbers past Canyon Flying Bagels 5-1; and Hugh Schure had the hat trick and Larry Binder scored twice in Toronto Freedom Refiners 5-1 victory against Maccabiah Weiss Guys.

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# *Stamps feature Bar-Ilan*

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**a set of three depicts Israel's latest military equipment.**

Mass immigration of Jews from Germany and other central European countries began 50 years ago and the Jewish Agency set up a special German department, *headed by Chaim Weizmann, Arthur Ruppin* and George Landauer to deal with it.

During the period 1933-39, about 75,000 Jews — 55,000 from Germany and 20,000 from Austria and Czechoslovakia — arrived in Israel.

Many of the settlements were organized in a manner reflecting the background of their founders and today, many of the children and grandchildren of the original settlers carry on the same traditions.

In addition to being pioneers in agriculture, many of the immigrants distinguished themselves in the areas of medicine, law, the arts, business and banking and formed an important part in the development of the nation.

Rabbi Meir Bar-Ilan (1880-1949), spiritual leader, outstanding organizer, writer and scholar, was instrumental in the development of the Zionist movement and was one of the founders of Mizrachi.

**The set of three stamps depicting latest military equipment shows the Kfir, a single-seat, multi-purpose combat aircraft, designed for air-to-air and air-to-ground missions; the Reshef, a missile boat, with a range of about 2,000 miles at a crusing speed of 25 knots; and the Merkava, a tank which represents a new concept in design, combining unprecedented crew protection with maneuverability, versatility and advanced technology.**

## *Tax planning for the individual*

# There are ways to shelter those capital gains

**TORONTO —**

A booklet entitled Tax Planning for the Individual, has been published by Wm. Eisenberg & Co. of chartered accountants, which provides a summary of the tax treatment of various financial transactions and describes certain tax planning techniques which may be utilized to reduce or defer the incidence of income tax.

Following is the section on taxation of capital transactions dealing with transactions which must be completed by Dec. 31. So act fast!

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**If you have already realized capital gains during the 1983 year, you may wish to tax shelter such gains by selling in the current year securities which have declined in value since their acquisition. This will necessitate carefully planning the timing of the sale of the "losers."**

If no gains have been realized in 1983 then a portion of the losers could be sold so as to create a sufficient allowable capital loss (one-half of the capital loss) to utilize $2,000 against other 1983 income and carry the balance back to 1982 to be utilized to the extent of $2,000 against any other income and applied without limitation against net taxable capital gains of that year.

Any balance remaining could be carried forward to future years.

The sale of those investments on which capital gains will be realized could be postponed until 1984, thus deferring the tax on those gains. This procedure could be especially beneficial where the taxpayer expects to be in a lower tax bracket in 1984.

In order to take advantage of tax loss selling, care should be taken to ensure that the settlement date of security transactions occurs before Dec. 31, 1983. For the usual transactions on a stock exchange, the settlement date is usually five working days subsequent to the trade or transaction date.

Since each exchange may have a different final transaction date for 1983 settlements, you should consult with your stockbroker or investment dealer to confirm the last transaction date in 1983 which will give rise to a 1983 settlement.

**You should also be careful to avoid "superficial losses." If you sell a property and realize a loss thereon and the same or an identical property is acquired by you, your spouse or your company, 30 days before or after the transaction, the loss will be denied to you.**

If you wish to sell in order to realize the loss and then reacquire the shares in a manner which will preclude the application of the superficial loss rule, you must wait at least 30 days before reacquisition. It should be noted that the "superficial loss" rules do not apply on the sale of assets at their fair market value to your children and this possibility should also be examined.

Alternatively, consideration might be given to selling the shares in 1983 and acquiring a call option for the shares rather than actually reacquiring the shares.

Of course, factors other than income tax, such as the transaction costs involved in disposing of and then reacquiring such securities or investments should be considered.

If you wish to retain ownership of a security with an accrued loss, yet wish to realize the loss for income tax purposes, the transfer of the loser to your Indexed Security Investment Plan (ISIP) should be considered.

# *Nurse finds her calling in folkdance*

**By SHEILA DROPKIN**

**TORONTO —**

When Shirley Waxman (nee Silbert) left Hamilton for Washington, she was married, the mother of three children and a nurse . . . and expected to stay there for two or three years.

**Now, 21 years later, she's still a resident of the Greater Washington area, has four children, is divorced, has left nursing and is acknowledged as one of North America's foremost experts in Jewish folkdance.**

In Toronto recently to attend a family bat mitzvah, she spoke glowingly about her involvement with dance and her position as director of the Israeli folkdance school at the Washington Jewish Community Centre.

"I grew tired of nursing," she said. "I think I'm too creative to remain with that profession indefinitely and I got into Israeli folkdance quite accidentally. Thanks to my years of membership in Hashomer Hatzair in Toronto when I was a teenager, I became interested in it and quite adept.

"When we moved to the U.S. and joined a synagogue, I started a folkdance program at the Hebrew school and then a Jewish arts program at the summer camp my children attended. Everything else sort of grew from there."

She spent the month of August last summer traveling through Israel, meeting with members of the Yemenite community and with dancers and choreographers around the country in preparation for a Yemenite dance and arts festival she will be organizing at the Centre in December of 1984.

**She also took time to visit the Shaare Zedek Medical Center in Jerusalem which is honoring her former sister- and brother-in-law, Sara and Al Waxman [Shirley's ex husband is Al's brother, Ben.]**

"As a trained nurse who was married to a doctor," Waxman explains, "I looked for certain things the average person wouldn't consider. I was most impressed with the quality of medical care at Shaare Zedek. They practice a very high level of North American medicine there."

Shirley Waxman shows her style.

She marveled at the way in which Shaare Zedek, an Orthodox institution, solved the problem of using lights and other electrical apparatus on the Sabbath. She was also impressed with the neonatology and premature nursery, where newborns are treated, and the geriatric centre.

"I especially noted the geriatric day room," she added, "where there was such a mixture of cultures. Under ordinary circumstances, people of such diverse backgrounds as Yemenites, Kurds, Ashkenazim, etc., would never get together, yet here they are, on a daily basis, getting along beautifully."

The position Waxman now holds at the Washington community centre is one which she largely created by and for herself, with its various components emanating from something which previously took place or was viewed as filling a void.

One of the best known and popular facets is the dance group which she directs and which performs at such places as Kennedy Center for Chanukah and small cities and towns and universities throughout the southern U.S.

**"I marvel at how well we're received," she says. "There's a universal appeal to Jewish dance, especially in the Bible Belt [population of the southern U.S. is largely composed of observant Christian sects] where it is the biblical aspect rather than Judaism that appeals to them."**

Waxman's program also includes folkdance courses at the centre's summer day camp, weekend folk dance camps for families, and classes throughout the year for children and adults.

She credits Sam Brownstone of the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre who gave her the opportunity to assist with the youth programs when she was only 14.

While being interviewed, Waxman sat sewing the chupah to be used at her daughhter's wedding. A melange of colors, it is not at all like those commonly used.

"Israel, to me, is a sun country," she explains. "It's a country of golds, yellows, rusts . . . warm colors. Most people use blue and white when they decorate with an Israeli theme. Those are cold colors; they're the colors of the flag but not of the country itself.

While in Israel, she spent a week with a Yemenite community near Rehovot and was dismayed to see that many of the residents, suffering from severe eye disease, were still depending on folk medicine and were not being properly treated.

"There's a serious problem with these Eastern communities," she said. "They are being affected by the rapid transition into modernization. The children are throwing over the traces of the old and, thereby, also eliminating whatever is good about their culture. Their crafts are dying and it's ironic that we, in North America, are the ones who are preserving and protecting them."

**Before she left for her home in Potomac, Md., Waxman added that she "has tapes, will travel," and would be delighted to bring her dance program to Canada, should she be invited.**


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